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1. MIDS : Mission

Dr. Malcolm S. Adiseshiah and his wife Elizabeth Adiseshiah founded the Madras Institute of Development Studies (MIDS) in 1971 with the following objectives :

- To undertake studies and research pertaining to development problems with special reference to the agro-rural aspects of Tamil Nadu and the problems of the economically and socially backward sections of the population throughout the country.
- To conduct seminars and conferences on development problems and programmes of Tamil Nadu.
- To foster inter-university cooperation among the social scientists of the Universities of the four southern states.
- To promote interdisciplinary research, and bring out publications relating to the above three functions.

In 1977, MIDS was reconstituted as a national institute jointly sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi and the Government of Tamil Nadu.

The research foci of the faculty are wide ranging from the concerns of development economics such as agriculture, rural development, industry, urbanisation and labour, to emerging interdisciplinary areas such as gender, environment, human development, social and political movements, and social criticism.

Through its seminars and workshops, MIDS has become a centre for critical thinking on development issues, relating to Tamil Nadu in particular and India in general. The services of faculty members are increasingly sought by state and central government departments, autonomous agencies, universities and colleges, non-government and international organisations.

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4. Faculty Members and Areas of Research

R. Radhakrishna, Chairperson	• Poverty analysis; income distribution; employment; agriculture; food distribution systems and standard of living.
R. Maria Saleth, Professor & Director (from April 2009)	• Water management; institutional economics; agricultural policy and impact assessment of individual and multiple development programs in agricultural and water contexts.
Janakarajan S, Professor & Officiating Director (upto March 2009)	• Rural development; water and environment; agrarian structure; markets and institution.
Jayaraj D, Professor	• Agricultural marketing; rural labour market; poverty studies and gender studies.
Nagaraj K, Professor	• Rural development and urbanization and demography.
Padmini Swaminathan, Professor	• Political economy in general; special focus on industrial and labour economics; and gender studies.
Radhakrishnan P, Professor	• Peasant struggles, land reforms; social change; social policy; rural sociology; sociology of education; backward classes and reservations; protective discrimination; affirmative action; social inequality; inequality and preferential treatment; communalism; casteism; corruption and governance; democracy, polity and governance; religion, secularism and fundamentalism; multiculturalism, social mobilization, social mobility; social movements, social/caste discriminations; communal/caste clashes and social harmony, electoral politics; vote-bank politics, and caste/communal politics.
Subramanian S, Professor	• Social choice theory; poverty and inequality; development economics.
Venkatachalapathy A R, Professor	• Social history; cultural history and intellectual history.
Ajit Menon, Associate Professor	• The political economy of natural resource use and environmental policy; decentralization and state-civil society dynamics; environmental history and agrarian transformation.
Anandhi S, Associate Professor	• Gender; caste and identity politics.

Ananta K Giri, Associate Professor	• Social movements and social transformation; social theory, criticism and creativity.
Chandrasekara Naidu V, Associate Professor	• Agricultural transformation and poverty; village studies and decentralization of administration.
Venkatachalam L, Associate Professor	• Environmental economics; ecological economics, behavioural economics and institutional economics
Ganesh Prasad G S, Assistant Professor	• Decentralisation; rural development and natural resource management with special emphasis on water management.
Karen Coelho, Assistant Professor	• Urban anthropology, state reforms and urban water management.
Kripa Ananthpur, Assistant Professor	• Civil society and governance; local institutions; local governance; farmers' movements; and women's political participation in local governance.
Lakshmanan C, Assistant Professor	• Political theory and culture; political economy; Dravidian politics; subordinated social groups/ movement; governance and film studies.
Moana Bhagabati, Assistant Professor	• International political economy; regional trade co-operation; World Trade Organization related issues.
Sivasubramaniyan K, Assistant Professor	• Agriculture; water management; irrigation; irrigation institutions; rural development; village studies; coastal environment management; pollution problems.
Vijayabaskar M, Assistant Professor	• Industrial organisation; labour markets and their articulation with technological change and product market dynamics.

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6. Director's Report

1. Preamble

Despite the organizational and financial challenges, which are common to most ICSSR institutes, MIDS has been rather resilient, showing remarkable performances in its academic and research activities during the academic year 2008-09. During the year under review, a new Director took charge from April 2009. The new Director has the benefit of building on the excellent work achieved under the able leadership of the previous directors and with the willing cooperation and commitment of the faculty members, staff and students. The academic and research productivity of the Institute is indicated well by the steady improvement in the performance of the Ph.D Programme and the constantly increasing quantity and quality of the research outputs by the faculty members. The organizational and funding roles of the faculty are also increasing, though funding roles can be enhanced further. The Institute's publications, including its journal *Review of Development and Change* evince healthy trend, though still better performance can be expected in coming years. The same applies also to the seminars and workshops, particularly faculty seminars. Individual affiliations and institutional collaborations also remain significant. Since the academic year under review coincides with the centenary year of Prof. Malcolm Adiseshiah, there are also few additional events and publications during this and next academic years.

2. Ph.D programme

The Ph.D Programme constitutes a key component of the academic activities of MIDS. This program is supported by the Ph.D fellowships offered by three agencies: (a) ICSSR, (b) RBI and (c) Malcolm and Elizabeth Adiseshiah Trust. Of the three, ICSSR offers four fellowships every year. But, the other two agencies support two fellowships each at any given point in time. However, the Institute continues to fund the fourth year fellowship of successful students with the support of the Malcolm and Elizabeth Adiseshiah Trust.

The academic component of the Ph.D Programme is administered by the Faculty Committee for the Ph.D Programme (or the Ph.D Committee in short) since the last quarter of 2006. Currently, the Ph.D Committee is headed by S. Anandhi and is supported by M. Vijayabhaskar, Karen Coelho, Ajit Menon, and L. Venkatachalam (till August 2009). Vijayabaskar and Karen Coelho also serve as the Ph.D Course Coordinators. The Ph.D Committee plays the following important role in the administration of the Ph.D Programme:

(a) Selection of the Ph.D candidates through a rigorous process of screening, tests, and interview;

(b) Organization of the five-month foundation course;

(c) Organization of the English language course;

(d) Establishment of the Mentoring Committee for each student;

(e) Helping the Monitoring and Evaluation of Students' performance

The structure and content of the foundation course have evolved over the past three years with considerable improvement in terms of both coverage and depth. Similarly, the English language coaching classes were very useful in improving the writing and presentation skills of students.

Currently, 32 Ph.D students are in the role of MIDS. Of the 32 students, two are awarded Ph.D degree, three have submitted their thesis, three have discontinued, and three are not reporting. The remaining 21 students are in various stages of their Ph.D Programme.

Some of the long-standing problems facing the Ph.D Programme and students are as follows:

- Lack of hostel facility constrains the Institute's ability in attracting good and motivated students;
- The above problem is complicated further

by the lower fellowship amount offered by the ICSSR as compared to that offered by the UGC;

As many students stay over 5 or more years, there is likely to be space problems as well as pressures on facilities (e.g., computer, zeroxing, etc.) provided by the Institute to students.

3. Broad areas of faculty research during 2008-09

During the academic year 2008-09, the faculty members of the Institute, with their different research foci and diverse activities and outputs, have demonstrated their deep involvement in the various dimensions of the development issues concerning the state and the country. There are also international comparative studies covering countries such as Pakistan and China. Although most have focused attention on contemporary issues and applied socio-economic problems, there are a few, who worked in the theoretical and analytical aspects of the process of development. As can be seen from the individual work reports of the faculty and students, the research activities and outputs are quite diverse. But, they can be broadly classified under eight thematic areas. The following paragraphs provide a synoptic view of the faculty research and outputs during the academic year 2008-09.

3.1. Poverty and Deprivation

S. Subramanian has concentrated on aspects of deprivation, distributional analysis, and welfare economics, apart from issues in development relating to demography. His work has appeared and accepted for publication in books published by Oxford at Clarendon and Routledge, and in journals like *Journal of Development Studies*, *Journal of Human Development and Capabilities*, *Pacific Economic Review*, *Indian Journal of Human Development*, *Economic and Political Weekly*, *Social Choice and Welfare*, and *Mathematical Social Sciences*. He has also completed, in collaboration with D Jayaraj, a draft of a collection of essays titled: "Poverty, Inequality, and Population: Essays in Development and Applied Measurement". Besides he has also been an examiner for an M.Phil Thesis, refereed papers for journals, and served as an Associate Editor on the Board of a journal.

K. Nagaraj has focused his research on the agrarian distress and farmers' suicide deaths reported widely across different parts of the country. Currently, he is involved in a project on Resurvey of Slater Villages along with Prof. John Harriss as collaborator funded by the Simon Fraser University, Canada. He has also delivered a series of 14 lectures covering deprivation at the Asian College of Journalism, Chennai.

V. Chandrasekara Naidu has also worked in the areas of poverty, particularly in the context of agricultural transformation and village studies.

3.2. Human Development

D. Jayaraj works on the wellbeing of populations in general and that of women in particular. One crucial aspect of the wellbeing of population is wealth distribution. His work with S. Subramanian provides an account of wealth distribution in India over a period of 4 decades. In this work, horizontal or group inequality in the distribution of wealth in India had been assessed. His work with S. Subramanian on the wellbeing implications of a change in the sex ratio of a population is published in *Social Choice and Welfare* and that on factors contributing to the declining trend in the sex differentials in mortality in India is published in *Economic and Political Weekly*, and that on excess female mortality and discrimination in 'natality' is published in the *Developing Economies*. These works suggest that: (a) summary real-valued socio-economic measures (for example, the sex ratio measure) are largely in the nature of end state descriptions and, therefore, are not always completely reliable as guides to the processes underlying their realization; (b) a complex interplay of biological, socio-economic and cultural factors determine the trend in relative wellbeing of women in the sphere of survival; and (c) there persist subtle forms of discrimination in the intra-family allocation of resources.

3.3. Natural Resource Management and Sustainable Development

This is a theme on which a number of faculty members have contributed during the academic year 2008-09. It is also a core area of interest and specialization for them. This theme covers the management of forests and coastal ecosystems, water resource institutions and governance, environmental implications of development, and economic and resource implications of climate change and adaptation. The methods adopted are quite diverse and they include review-based approach, survey analysis, econometric analysis, and other quantitative techniques.

Ajit Menon has focused his research over the last year mostly on 'Public Policies and Forests in the Central Western Ghats of South India' in which he (and his collaborators) has tried to understand the impact of forest policy and law on the forest use and livelihoods of local communities. Besides, he has undertaken a short collaborative study on 'Social Movements against Industrial Water Pollution: A Case Study of Bhavani River Protection Joint Council, Tamil Nadu' and is part of an on-going multi-institution project on 'Building Capacity for Sustainable Governance in South Asian Fisheries: Poverty, Wellbeing and Deliberative Policy Networks'. Earlier collaborative work on 'Land Use Change, Hydrology and Socio-economic Impacts' in the Karnataka part of the Western Ghats has been recently published as a SANDEE Working Paper (No. 36-08). He is also a visiting faculty at the Institute of Ocean Management, Anna University, Chennai, where he teaches a course entitled 'Socio-Economic Building Blocks for Coastal Management' in the M.Tech on Coastal Management.

L. Venkatachalam works in the areas of water, environment, and institutions. In his paper "Alternative Institutions in Urban Water Supply Sector: A Critique of Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model", he provides empirical evidences to demonstrate how improvements in water supply services in urban areas of developing countries achieved through innovative institutional approaches can lead to substantial increase in human wellbeing. In another article, using an economic theoretic framework and taking Chennai city as a case, he attempts to address important issues such as: how water supply institutions evolve in a particular urban context, why a particular combination of these institutions prevails in a given context and how to measure the economic impacts of different combinations of underlying institutions. His research project on the Bhavani River Basin tries to estimate the 'compensating' and 'equivalent' variations of farmers' willingness to pay and measure the transaction costs associated with the alternative water allocation mechanisms. In this project, a repeated game theoretic approach is used to investigate whether the compensating and equivalent variations can converge in repeated experiments. Another of his project extends the transaction cost approach to the study of informal water markets in Chennai city. During the later part of 2009 and early part of 2010, Venkatachalam will be visiting the University of California at Berkeley, USA under a Fulbright Fellowship.

K. Sivasubramaniyan's research focuses on water management and impact assessment. Currently, he is revising the report of an ICSSR sponsored project on: 'Irrigation and Productivity under Canal Project' for publication as a book. He is also involved in the evaluation of the integrated wastelands development program and drought-prone areas program, which involve field visit and observations, and the outcome of which has scope for policy research. Another project in which he is recently involved is the Union Ministry of Rural Development funded 'Skills Programme for Inclusive Growth' (SPRING), which provides training and placement for 30,000 below poverty rural youths in industrial sewing machine operations in 5 states viz., Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, and Bihar. The IL&FS Cluster Development Initiative Ltd, which implements a part of the SPRING programme, has approached the Institute to do a national level impact evaluation.

S. Janakarajan is primarily engaged in the ongoing research project: 'Climate Change, Vulnerability analysis and Adaptation Challenges in the Tamil Nadu Coastal Regions'. He has prepared two papers related to: (a) vulnerability analysis in the context of coastal extreme events and (b) understanding adaptation in the context of climate change threat. He is also trying to develop a water budget for Chennai and its peri-urban areas, which is due for publication shortly. The paper: "Negotiation through social dialogue: Insights from the Cauvery Dispute" is published in an edited volume by Routledge. Another paper: "Urbanization and peri-urbanization: Aggressive competition and unresolved conflicts: The case of Chennai city in India" is published in *South Asian Water Studies* (Vol. 1, No. 1, Dec 2008). The paper: "Impact of Tannery Pollution on Agriculture and Human Health" was presented in the IHDP open meeting held in Bonn, Germany April 26-30, 2009 and another paper: "Negotiation through Social Dialogue: The Experience of the Cauvery Interstate Water Dispute" was presented at the World Water Forum-5 held in Istanbul, Turkey.

R. Maria Saleth continues to work in the areas of water management, institutional economics, agricultural policy, and impact assessment of individual and multiple development programs in agricultural and water contexts. Specifically, he was working on preparing two journal papers from papers or reports completed in his previous organization. These papers are: "Impact Synergies and Institutional Roles in Development Processes: Modeling the Effects of Multiple Policy Interventions on Food Security" and "Promoting Irrigation Demand Management in India: Options, Linkages, and Strategy". Work is also progressing on another paper: "Land-dominated Approach to Water Policy: Influence, Effects, and Relevance" that looks at the way land ownership and access are linked with water access and allocation in the Indian context. Saleth is also working on putting together an edited volume to be published in memory of Prof. Malcolm Adiseshiah. Besides these research works and related academic activities such as participation and contribution to national and international seminars, he also continues to serve as the Associate Editor of *Water Policy* and as a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of *Technological Forecasting and Social Change*.

3.4. Women's Studies

The gender concerns and, more specifically, women's studies have been one of the key areas of research focus of the Institute over the years. The approach adopted is based both on historical analysis and on empirical analysis with quantitative results.

S. Anandhi continues to pursue her research in the area of caste and gender in colonial Tamil Nadu with her publications related to women's writing on caste and modernity. Her public lectures and reviews are broadly related to the themes of gender in Dravidian politics, institutionalization of women's studies, and institutional histories of women's organizations in south India. During the academic year under consideration, she has been elected to the Executive Committee of the Indian Association for Women's Studies (IAWS), a premier all India academic-activist association, which has a significant number of distinguished academicians, activists, researchers, students, social workers and all others interested in women's development. Currently, she is the editor of IAWS newsletter. She also continues to coordinate the PhD Programme at MIDS and serves on various academic boards and curriculum committees for women's studies in colleges and one university.

A major focus of Padmini Swaminathan's academic work during 2008-09 has been mapping the nature of 'inclusion/exclusion' in economic development. Using national level data and supplemented with field-based studies, quantum and levels of inclusion/exclusion have been captured through analysis of data relating to literacy and formal levels of education of the population as a whole and for different segments of the population. These exercises reveal, among other things that, for females, education and employment move in opposite directions in the sense that literacy among female workers is lower

than literacy among non-working females and that development is not closing the gender gap measured in terms of females per 1000 males. Bulk of females 'included' in development disproportionately constitutes the unorganized workers. The latter includes the unorganized sector plus workers working in the formal sector as informal workers. Padmini Swaminathan has also engaged with the theme of the status of Higher and Vocational Education in the country through a critical study of Official Reports, such as the *All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Review Committee Report,* the *Report on Skill Formation and Employment Assurance in the Unorganized Sector* brought out by the National Commission on Enterprises in the Unorganized Sector. A major assumption of these Reports is that the inability of the economy to generate formal employment is taken as given. This assumption defeats the purpose of imparting and/or upgrading skills of the young and working population of the country. A third aspect that Padmini Swaminathan has engaged with is the theme of occupational health. Her paper: 'Women, Work and Health: Examining Linkages, Addressing Challenges' will appear shortly in the Indian Journal of Human Development. She is a member of the Expert Committee appointed by the High Court of Madras to Clean the Noyyal River. She is also on the Advisory Board of a couple of journals, and member of Board of Studies in Economics in a couple of Colleges in Chennai.

3.5. International Trade Negotiations and WTO

Moana Bhagabati, who is currently on deputation as faculty in the National Institute of Administrative Research (NIAR), Mussoorie, continues her research relating to trade facilitation and WTO. She has also presented papers and delivered lectures on the themes Indo-US free trade, role of foreign direct investment in the Indian economy, globalization, and multilateral economic systems.

3.6. Industrialisation, Regional Development, and Employment

M. Vijayabaskar works broadly on the socio-political economy of urban labour markets, urban governance processes, industrialization, and regional development. In November 2008, he prepared a position paper for the National Commission for Enterprises in the Unorganised Sector on: "Micro and Small Scale Enterprises in Global Value Chains". During the academic year, he has worked on two major projects. The first one titled: 'Transforming livelihoods: work, migration and poverty in the Tiruppur garment cluster, India' is a two-year collaborative project with scholars from the University of Sussex and Oxford and funded through a research grant from ESRC/DFID, UK. It examines how an export-oriented region transforms livelihood options in the region, within the export sector, and across sectors that are linked to this export segment through labour, capital, and other material flows. The other project titled: 'The Politics of India's Special Economic Zones' examines how local politics and institutions shape the implementation and governance of SEZ policies using a case study of Tamil Nadu. He has also completed a short study titled: "Regional Labour Markets and Industrial Development: Exploratory Insights from an India-China Comparison" for the Institute for Developing Economies, Tokyo. This work involved two weeks of fieldwork among the textile and garment firms in the Shandong province of China.

3.7. Governance, Institutions, Social Mobilization and Social Justice

This is another core area in which a number of faculty members have worked on and contributed to during the academic year 2008-09. The works under this theme are multidisciplinary in nature and involve different methods, varying from review-based works to empirical analysis based on primary and secondary data.

G.S.Ganesh Prasad, who is currently on deputation with ANS, the State Institute for Rural Development at Mysore, continues with his research on decentralized governance, panchayat finances, and rural development. He is also involved in a research project on indicator development funded by the Planning Commission.

Kripa Ananthpur, who has just started her

sabbatical, focuses her research in understating the dynamics of local democracy and governance. Her work focuses on unpacking the various dimensions of local politics that shape local democracy and governance. Of particular interest has been the ways in which informal institutions influence local democratic process and shape governance outcomes. She has recently completed a five-year study on analyzing the interaction between formal and informal local governance institutions in Karnataka using both quantitative and qualitative research methods to illustrate the various ways in which the informal institutions influence the formal ones. This work has now grown into a comparative study of Rajasthan and Pakistan. She also published extensively on this aspect including in referred journals such as *Development and Change* and *Journal of Development Studies*. To assess the extent people's participation can make local democracy more effective, attempted as part of a World Bank study on: 'Deepening Democracy', Kripa Ananthpur is currently studying 200 villages in 5 districts of northern Karnataka. She is also trying to look into the way local elections are engineered by informal institutions and elites by placing limits on pluralism and local electoral competition and the impact of such interventions on local citizenship.

P. Radhakrishnan, apart from continuing his work on his book on backward classes, has been active through publication in journals, newspapers, and internet portals. His article, 'Globalisation and Exclusion: The Indian Context' in the January-March issue of Global Asia (both print and online) was published with a lot of prominence, as the editors felt that the article was of special significance. He has continued his publications on current issues such as reservation politics and electoral politics. He completed a major project report on higher education in the context of access, quality, disciplinary diversity, and academic freedom. Radhakrishnan has served on various professional committees in IGNOU and in state universities. On a request from the editor of *Asian Tribune*, an Internet newspaper published from Sweden, he has been contributing every week on topical issues. His other activities included his role as resource person in the annual meet of the Pathways Programme for the higher education of the socially deprived sections; presentation of papers in seminars on the social problem of suicides, and on understanding Dalit autobiographies; key note speaker on issues in identifying the economically backward among the non-reserved social groups for which the Government of India has constituted a high power commission; interviews to TV channels on election issues; and to the rediff.com on the plight of Tamils in Sri Lanka and the future of the LTTE.

Ananta Kumar Giri is engaged in a range of publications dealing with issues related to 'Tibet, China and the World: Realizing Peace, Freedom and Harmony' and 'Sociology as Quest for a Good Society: A Conversation with Robert Bellah'. He continues his work on new horizons of human development, social mobilization, and social theory with a focus on cosmopolitanism, practical spirituality and new initiatives in education. He has visited several universities in India, South East Asia, and Europe for delivering lectures, organizing workshops on themes of cosmopolitanism, and carrying out fieldwork.

C. Lakshmanan continues to engage with the film politics of Tamil Nadu and issues of social justice. Particularly, his focus towards problems of reservation policy and understanding caste and gender-based subordination has drawn considerable attention. He had jointly worked for a book based on field study of Puthirai Vannars in Tamil Nadu. The book attempts an in-depth analysis of a service caste for the Dalits and provides new insights for understanding graded inequalities. As an organizing member, he has been very active in Dalit Intellectual Collective (DIC), an independent forum that explores the possibilities of constructing theoretical understanding of the socio-cultural and political economy of the Dalits across the country and locating it in contemporary politics. Lakshmanan is also trying to create a network among the faculty members in the Centres of Social Exclusion and Dalit Studies so as to streamline the pedagogical framework for social exclusion

and Dalit studies. As a resource person, he also provides intellectual support for Dalit movements in the South.

Karen Coelho's research critically examines aspects of urban governance and reforms as well as the urban state and society, with a focus on the city of Chennai. From her previous work in examining the state-run water bureaucracy's journey through reforms, she has moved now to the exploration of the ways in which urban collective action in "civil society" is shaped by, or shapes, the implementation of reforms in urban governance. During 2008-09, her work is centered on consolidating and publishing the findings from a two-year research project on urban neighbourhood-based collective action. As a follow-up to this study, she and her collaborators organized a national workshop entitled 'Opening Up or Ushering In: Interrogating Discourses of Citizen Participation and Public Consultation in Urban Governance' in Pondicherry during July 25-26 2009. She also continues to present and publish papers based on her work on water sector reforms. In June 2009, she was invited by PUKAR to present a paper at their one-day symposium on "The State of India's Water" at the National Gallery of Modern Art in Mumbai. The academic year concluded with a three-month teaching fellowship (late March to early June 2009) under which she designed and taught a graduate seminar entitled 'Urban Politics in India' at the University of Washington in Seattle, USA.

V. Chandrasekara Naidu's research also covers aspects of governance such as administrative and financial decentralisation, especially at the state and local level. Specifically, he has worked on issues relating to: (a) the state financial status of Tamil Nadu and (b) urban and local body finances, especially with a focus on Chennai Municipal Corporation. Besides his research, he has also been active in teaching college teachers at a Faculty Improvement Programme conducted by the University of Madras.

3.8. Social and Cultural History of Tamil Nadu

A.R. Venkatachalapathy has continued with his multi-dimensional and bilingual exploration into aspects of the social and cultural history of colonial and contemporary Tamil Nadu. His pioneering documentation and analysis of the first modern encyclopedia in any Indian language, the Tamil *Kalaikalanjiyam,* was published as was his essay on the emergence of the genre of autobiography. He has completed a project on the Indo-Danish cultural encounter with specific reference to print under the aegis of the Tranquebar Initiative of the National Museum of Denmark. Based on the research outcomes of the various projects under the Tranquebar Initiative, he is guest-editing (with Esther Fihl, Professor of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen) a special double number of the *Review of Development and Change.* It is also proposed to extend this into a book (tentatively titled: *Beyond Tranquebar: Colonialism and Culture in South India*) for publication. In his attempt to enrich social science discourse in Tamil language, Venkatachalapathy has translated Romila Thapar's *Past and Prejudice* into Tamil and it has been published by the National Book Trust of India. He is presently finalizing a book manuscript on print culture in colonial Tamil Nadu.

4. Paper presentations and publications by Ph.D. scholars

A few of the Ph.D. Scholars have also presented papers in workshops and seminars held both within and outside India. Notable among them are:

(a) "Freedoms and Un-freedoms of the Poor: Learning from their Lived Experiences" by Ann George.

(b) "Livelihoods and Global Challenges: Understanding Human Interaction with the Environment" by M. Arivalagan.

(c) "Some aspects of the socio-economic changes in the Rural Arani – with special reference to handloom silk weaving in the Arani region" by N.A. Arivukkarasi.

(d) "Impact of Globalisation on Economic Zones in India" by A.Bhavana.

(e) "Understanding issues of Adaptation

through Assessment of Vulnerability: A Case Study of Orissa, India" by Chandra Sekher Bahinipati.

(f) "Stock Brokering Branches and Urban Spaces: exploring a new phenomenon in Kerala" by V.P. Nirmal Roy and B.S. Sumalatha.

Similarly, a few of them have also published papers in refereed journals. Among publications, the notable one is: "Merchandise Trade Performance after Economic Reforms in India: An Explorative Analysis" by Chandra Sekher Bahinipati and Nirmal Chandra Sahu, which is published in the *Asian Journal of Public Affairs*.

5. Other institutional activities of the faculty

The other institutional activities of faculty members cover their roles both in governance process of the Institute as well as in the generation of resources for the Institute through externally funded research. A number of faculty members serve in different committees and assist the Director and the management in an efficient functioning of the Institute. These committees include the Faculty Committee for the Ph.D Programme (or the Ph.D Coordination Committee in short), Editorial Committee of the institute's journal *Review of Development and Change*, Publication Committee that oversees Institute's publications. Besides this, a few of the members also serve in the Academic Council, Executive Council, Finance Committee, and Governing Council. In the Academic Council, all professors are members and a few of the associate and assistant professors serve as members on rotation.

6. Seminar presentations by faculty, visitors, and students

The Academic Council in its previous meeting has noted the low number of seminars given by the faculty members. Efforts are now afoot to increase the number of the seminars given by faculty. Besides the faculty seminars, there were also a number of seminars and presentations given by external members and visitors to MIDS.

7. Workshops/Conference/Memorial lectures /Special lectures

7.1. Identity and Universality

This is a half a day workshop and festival of learning, which was held on July 28, 2008 at MIDS Auditorium. Speakers are: Professor Felix Wilfred, Emeritus Professor, University of Madras; Dr. N. Sreekumar, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras; Dr. Ananta Kumar Giri, MIDS

Identity has become one of the central questions of our time. While there are many movements for realization of dignity of one's own identity in the face of assault, annihilation and humiliation, there have also been movements, which assert an exclusive view of identity and do not wish to relate to the identities of others in a dialogical and transformative manner. Such identitarian mobilizations lead to violence and much suffering. So, there is a crucial challenge to rethink identity and explore relationships between identity and difference, identity and universality. But, this also calls for rethinking universality because often in the name of universality, only one dominant model of identity such as the Euro-American is imposed upon the globe. Along with cultivating a creative vision and praxis of identity formation, we need to transform universality into a relational one, indeed a transversal one, which emerges for the yearning for the transversal from each of the spaces of our lives and cultures. Therefore, the present day conception of monolithic and singular universality needs to be transformed by a vision and praxis of transversality. We are invited to rethink both identities and universality as rainbows of self and mutual blossoming.

7.2. Gijubhai Badekha Memorial Lecture 2009

This lecture was on "Culture and Development: Implications for Classroom Practices" and has given by T.S. Saraswati on January 20, 2009 at MIDS Auditorium. Professor T.S. Saraswati is retired Senior Professor in Human Development and Family studies, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda. This is the first Gijubhai Badekha Memorial Lecture held in South India and this event was organized jointly by NCERT and MIDS.

According to Dr. Saraswati, culture is aimed at understanding and evaluating the importance and significance of culture and cultural differences influencing the society and individuals. It examined the construction of knowledge and cultural variations and similarities in various domains of human functioning. This lecture tried to give a new panorama for the role of culture and development and its implications for teacher training and classroom practices. Class rooms are considered as the best place for stereotyping the children and they are accepting the determined role and unknowingly mould the behaviour and personality on the basis of class room experiences. It was urged that culture has to be viewed in a broader manner, based on evaluative comparisons and the importance of tolerance for differences. One must be ready to accept and enhance the richness of cultural differences in a positive and productive manner to brighten the class room climate and the learning process.

7.3. Workshop on Research Methodology for Doctoral Scholars

This workshop was held on March 16-19, 2009 at MIDS. The workshop sought to bring research scholars working on different dimensions of the research theme so as to: (a) provide them a forum to interact and exchange notes on their ongoing work and (b) expose/train them to the various conceptual and methodological issues involved in studying such processes.

The theme for this year's workshop was Contemporary Issues and Methods in Social Research. The major objective of the workshop was to bring young researchers together in order to introduce them with fundamental aspects of contemporary research methodology in social sciences. 43 researchers from various colleges and universities in Tamil Nadu as well as from ICSSR institutions in South India participated in the workshop and presented their research proposals. 13 resource persons spoke on different aspects of social science research. The researchers were familiarized with key aspects of research such as, formulating and refining the research questions, objectives and methods. The topics covered various contemporary research issues such as: interplay between theory and empirical work, role of deductive and inductive methods, importance of right combination of qualitative and quantitative data and issues involved in combining subjective and objective information. The feedback from the research scholars indicated that the Workshop was useful to refine their proposal and they wanted it to be held for a week instead of the four days at present.

7.4. Founder's Day Lecture 2009

The Founder's Day Lecture is organised in honour of the founder of MIDS, Dr. Malcolm S. Adiseshiah (1910-1994) since 2004 as a grateful acknowledgement of the vision of our founder. It is his foresight and commitment and the combined generosity of him and his wife Mrs. Elizabeth Adiseshiah that created MIDS. This year's Founder Day Lecture was given on April 3, 2009 by Partha Chatterjee, who is Professor at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta and has been its director during 1997-07. His lecture: "Lineages of political society" deals with the relationship between norms and practices that has resulted in a series of improvisations. It is the theorization of these improvisations that has become the task of postcolonial political theory. Detailing a number of exceptions to normative political theory, he shows how they may constitute the foundations for a more inclusive concept of democracy.

7.5. Launch Function for Professor Malcolm Adiseshiah Centenary

The Launch Function for the Professor Malcolm Adiseshiah Centenary Celebrations was held on May 4, 2009. It was launched with a ceremonial lecture on "Agrarian Crisis: The Way Ahead" given by Prof. M.S. Swaminathan, Chairman, MSSRF. This was followed by MIDS-NABARD co-sponsored Workshop on 'Financing for Rural Development'. This Workshop explored how old and new forms of rural financing such as loans from rural banks and cooperatives and micro credits from self-help groups and micro financial institutions act as a counter to farmers' distress and agrarian crisis. In the first session on 'Rural Indebtedness and Agrarian Crisis, two papers were presented, i.e., (a) "Farm Sector

Indebtedness: Whipping a Wrong Horse" by Yogeshwari and R.S. Deshpande, ISEC, Bangalore; (b) "Debt, Distress and Farmers' Suicides in Vidarbha, Maharashtra" by Srijit Mishra, IGIDR, Mumbai. In the second session on 'Financial Innovations and New Approaches', two papers were presented, i.e., (a) "Institutional Innovations and Rural Credit to the Poor Including Marginal and Small Farmers: Some Initiatives from Andhra Pradesh" by D. Narasimha Reddy, University of Hyderabad and (b) "Financing Rural Development: Need for a Sustainable Livelihood Approach" by K. Narayanan Nair, CDS, Trivandrum.

8. Institute's publications

The institute's publications include working papers, discussion papers and monographs published under Guhan Series, and the special annual publications under the Founder's Day Lecture and Memorial Lecture Series. During the academic year 2008-09, there were no monographs published.

The Institute's journal *Review of Development and Change*, is committed to critically examining diverse aspects of development and change taking place in our society. It is a refereed biennial journal of MIDS published since the past 14 years. RDC aims to encourage scholarship that perceives problems of economic development and social change in depth, documents them with care, interprets them with rigour, and communicates the results in an accessible form to multidisciplinary readers. The theme of the upcoming issue for 2009 (Vol. XIV; No.1-2) is 'Cultural Interaction in Early Colonial India, with special reference to Tranquebar' and the articles are based on the Tranquebar initiative of the National Museum of Denmark with which MIDS was associated. This issue is guest edited by A.R. Venkatachalapathy and his team involved in the project. The Editorial Committee of RDC meets as and when needed. As per the editorial committee's recommendation and in order to increase the subscription base, letters have been sent to selected colleges, universities, and research institutions both for soliciting for subscription and for inviting articles for RDC.

9. Prof. Malcolm Adiseshiah's centenary activities

This 45th meeting of the Academic Council coincides with the centenary of Prof. Malcolm S. Adiseshiah, the Founder Chairman and Director of MIDS. Throughout the Centenary Year (April 2009-April 2010), MIDS is planning for several events and publications to celebrate the memory of Prof. Adiseshiah and to highlight his major contributions.

The centenary celebration was formally launched on May 4, 2009 by Prof. M. S. Swaminathan, Chairman of MSSRF and Member of Parliament, with his ceremonial presentation: *The Agrarian Crisis: The Way Ahead.* On that same day, an MIDS-NABARD co-sponsored workshop: *Financing for Rural Development* was also held as the first event of the year-long centenary celebration. The Launch Function on May 4, 2009 is also notable for the fact that it brought together most of the past chairpersons and directors of MIDS in one stage!

MIDS is also planning to have at least one national seminar during the centenary year and a number of public lectures under Prof. Malcolm Adiseshiah Centenary Public Lecture Series, which will be organized jointly with some prominent academic institutions both in Chennai and other major educational centers in Tamil Nadu. The inaugural lecture under this series was delivered by Prof. Kaliappa Kalirajan of the Australian National University on July 9, 2009 at MIDS.

MIDS is also planning few significant publications during the centenary year. S. Janakarajan is working on a post-scripted Tamil translation of Prof. Guhan's book: *Cauvery River Dispute: Towards Conciliation.* A. R. Venkatachalapathy is working on a bilingual book: *Remembering Prof. Malcolm Adiseshiah.* R. Maria Saleth is working on an edited Volume: *Issues in Development Studies: Essays in Memory of Prof. Malcolm Adiseshiah.* Oxford University Press has shown interest in publishing this edited volume. This book and the other two books noted above are expected to be released by mid-2010.

10. Individual affiliations and institutional collaborations

During the academic year 2008-09, MIDS has provided affiliation to 11 scholars. Of them, two are from India and the rest of them are from abroad. The affiliation ranged from six months to a year. Besides the individual affiliation, MIDS is also developing formal institutional collaborations with other academic and research institutions both within India and abroad. Three of these deserve to be detailed here.

First, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed between MIDS and the Center for Asian Studies at Kyungpook National University, Daegu, Korea on May 5, 2009. This MOU provides a basis for cooperation between the two institutes for the mutual benefit, especially in the enhancement of research capability and promotion of academic linkages. Specifically, this MOU allows for: (a) exchanging of researchers in areas of special interest to both institutes; (b) exchanging of information and publications that are interested to both institutes; and (c) holding collaborative and joint symposia and conferences. As per the MOU, each institute will cover the costs of its own participation, but will explore the possibility of third party funding for joint research activities and seminars.

Second, recently, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) has approached MIDS for collaboration on two important academic programmes: (a) organizing an Orientation Programmes for the faculties of Centre for Social Exclusion, Dalit Studies, Ambedkar Chairs and related institutions in Tamil Nadu and Kerala and (b) preparing a Background Paper on Dalit Children's School Education in Tamil Nadu. This collaboration is expected to take up in the later part of 2009.

And, third, the recently created Central University of Tamil Nadu (CUTN) has approached for having a mentoring relationship with MIDS. Under this relationship, MIDS faculty can teach social science courses as well as supervise doctoral students of CUTN. This proposed relationship is now under consideration.

11. IT infastructure

The IT infrastructure in MIDS consists of state-of-the-art computing facilities with latest hardware, software and supporting equipments. The computing wing is involved in planning and implementing the required IT needs of the Institute.

Presently the Institute has around 70 personal computers which include four notebook computers; network laser printers; laser printers; scanners; LCD Projector; and other windows based operating systems [windows 98, NT, XP] and application software. The following are the major services of the computer centre.

Web Server & Mail Server: A linux based web server and mail server is configured in the Institute and is hosted in the campus. The Institute has configured 512 kbps [1:1] leased line connectivity from VSNL for providing round the clock Internet facility to its members.

Network: MIDS has configured a structured Ethernet based Local Area Network (LAN) catering to about 100 users in the Institute with the required network accessories.

Library Information System: Linux based library server is configured in the Computer Centre. LIBSYS software is used for Library automation.

Faculty: Upgradation of Services: The Institute has provided personal computers and laser printers to faculty members. The Institute provided the latest HP Pentium Dual Core Computers to every faculty member of the Institute. These computers are connected with local area network to facilitate e-mail and internet access round the clock.

Students' Bay: The Institute has provided separate computer facilities for research scholars. These computers are equipped with: a) CD-Writing facility; b) connected with local area network; c) e-mail facility and d) shared printing facility.

Computer Room: 10 Pentium computers with shared printing facility is installed in the computer room and is meant for Internet use of students and project staff.

Other Services

1. PCs have been provided to administration, Accounts, library and publications sections.
2. Round the clock Internet access to the faculty members, students and other members of the Institute.
3. E-mail services for faculty, students and non academic section heads with web based and POP3 access.
4. Network printing facility for the members of the Institute.

Online access to journals [JSTOR and foreign journals subscribed by the library] and database [Indiastat.com] via the Institute's public gateway.

12. Library

The MIDS Library has become almost the single important source for academic research in social sciences in Tamil Nadu. Over the years, despite constraints of space and at times, financial resources, the Library has managed to acquire and stock books, journals, government reports, covering almost all disciplines of the social sciences. The ICSSR sponsored the Institute library on a cost sharing basis for access of a Journal Archive called JSTOR facility to its readers. This facility provides access to almost 600 journals. Combined with state-of-the-art computer infrastructure, faculty members can now access these journals from their respective offices. Besides, enough PCs have been provided in the Reading room of the library to enable non-MIDS scholars to access the on-line journals..

Between July 2008-June 2009 the library added 643 titles including bound volume of journals. The library also subscribe to 145 journals including both Indian and foreign journals.

13. Proposed academic activities for 2009-10

The following are some of the academic activities proposed for the academic year 2009-10.

- National Workshop on Climatic Change to be organized in the latter part of 2009
- Series of Malcolm Adiseshiah Centenary Public Lectures to be organized jointly with some of the Institutions in Chennai and other Cities in Tamil Nadu
- Research Scholars' Workshop to be scheduled in early 2010.
- Inter-disciplinary Research Methodology Workshop to be scheduled in early 2010.
- Malcolm Adiseshiah Centenary Valedictory Function to be held in early 2010.
- Founders' day lecture to be scheduled in April 2010. Suggestions from the Council members are requested for identifying a suitable speaker.

7. MIDS Publications

7.1 Books

Title	Author and Affiliation
2008	
Environment, Sustainable Development and Human Well-being	Proceedings of Interdisciplinary Development Research Methodology Workshop 2008 L. Venkatachalam (ed.)
Oru Nagaramum Oru Gramamum : Kongup paguthiyil samuga mattrangal	S. Neelakantan Former Director, MIDS
2007	
Transformation, Transition or Stagnation? Understanding Change in a Globalizing Economy	*Proceedings of Sixth Development Convention 2007* G..S. Ganesh Prasad (ed.)
Dravida Chandru: Ellisum Dravida Mozhigalum	Thomas R. Trautmann University of Michigan
2003	
Avala Nilaiyil Thamizhaga Aarugal	S. Janakarajan, MIDS

7.2 Malcolm Adiseshiah Memorial Series

Title	Author and Affiliation
	Founder's Day Lectures
2009	
Lineages of Political Society	Partha Chatterjee Professor, CSSS, Calcutta
2008	
Growth of a Wasteland	Amit Bhaduri Professor Emeritus, JNU, Delhi
2006	
Development as a Human Right or as Political Largesse? Does it make any difference?	Upendra Baxi Professor of Law University of Warwick, UK
2004	
Globalization: Its Portents for Indian Culture	U. R. Anantha Murthy Jnanpith Award Winner

Title	Author and Affiliation
MALCOLM ADISESHIAH MEMORIAL LECTURES	
2006	
Dalit Studies as Pedagogical Practice: Claiming more than just a 'Little Place' in the Academia	Sharmila Rege Professor, Department of Sociology University of Pune
2005	
Cultural Politics of Environment and Development: The Indian Experience	Amita Baviskar Associate Professor Department of Sociology University of Delhi
2004	
Whither the Indian Village?: Culture and Agriculture in "Rural" India	Dipankar Gupta Professor, CSSS, JNU, Delhi
2003	
State, Households and Markets in Education	Jandhyala B G Tilak Professor, NIEPA, New Delhi
2002	
Gender Inequalities: Neglected Dimensions and Hidden Facets	Bina Agarwal Professor, IEG, Delhi

7.3 Recent Working Papers

WP No.	Title	Author
2009		
207	The Calling of Practical Spirituality: Transformations in Science and Religion and New Dialogues on Self, Transcendence and Society	Ananta Kumar Giri
206	Sociology as Quest for a Good Society: A Conversation with Robert Bellah	Ananta Kumar Giri
205	Tibet, China and the World: Realizing Peace, Freedom and Harmony	Ananta Kumar Giri
2008		
204	The Manifesto and the Modern Self: Reading the Autobiography of Muthulakshmi Reddy	S. Anandhi
203	Beyond Colonialism: Towards A New Environmental History of India	M. Arivalagan
202	Pain, Politics and Persistence: The Power of Powerlessness	Rajakishor Mahana
201	Adapting Capability Approach to Understand the Life Experiences of the Poor	Ann George

2007		
200	Exploring the Importance of Excess Female Mortality and Discrimination in 'Natality' in Explaining the 'Lowness' of the Sex Ratio in India	D. Jayaraj
199	Welfare Pluralism: A Post Modern Rationale in Policy Making	K. Jayashree
198	Making it Relevant: Mapping the Meaning of Women's Studies in Tamilnadu	S. Anandhi Padmini Swaminathan
2006		
197	Understanding the Struggle for Panchama Land	C. Jerome Samraj
196	Urban Water Conflicts in Indian Cities: Man-made Scarcity as a Critical Factor	S. Janakarajan Marie Llorente Marie-Hélène Zérah

7.4 Themes in Social Sector Research: The S. Guhan Memorial Series

7.4.1. Discussion Papers

No.	Title	Author
2009		
12	A Chakravarty-D'Ambrosio class of social exclusion measures as a Foster-Greer-Thorbecke class of headcount indices of multidimensional deprivation: An interpretive and expository note	S. Subramanian
11	The deprivation distribution profile: A graphical device for comparing alternative regimes of multidimensional poverty	S. Subramanian
2007		
10	Factors Contributing to the Declining Trend in Sex-Differentials in Mortality in India: An Exploratory Analysis	D. Jayaraj
2004		
9	Horizontal and Vertical Inequality: Some Inter-Connections and Indicators	D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian
2002		
8	Measuring Literacy: Some Extensions of the Basu-Foster Framework	S. Subramanian
7	Assessing the 'Agedness' of a Population (Discussion Papers 6 & 7 published as one volume)	D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian
6	Comparing the Age Structures of Populations	D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian

2001		
5	The Sex Ratio at Birth and its Determinants: An Exploratory Analysis	D. Jayaraj
2000		
4	The Educational Challenge before the 'Knowledge Economy': Implications for Planning and Financing	Manabi Majumdar
3	Poverty Measurement and the Repugnant Conclusion	S. Subramanian
2	Development as Freedom: Taking Economics Beyond Commodities - The Cautious Boldness of Amartya Sen	Des Gasper
1	Group Affiliation, Externality, and the Measurement of Poverty	D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian

7.4.2 Monographs

No.	Title	Author
2009		
8	Irrigation in Tamilnadu: With special reference to Tank Irrigation	K. Sivasubramaniyan V. Gandhiraj
2007		
7	Trade Facilitation and WTO: An Indian Perspective	Moana Bhagabati and Rachna G Ganatra
6	Modernity and Status Autonomy: Reflections on A Survey of two Tamil Villages	Frank Heidemann
2006		
5	Socio-Economic Factors Underlying Growth of Silk-Weaving in the Arni Region - A Preliminary Study	D. Jayaraj and K. Nagaraj
4	Delegation to Devolution: A Comparative Study	V. K. Natraj, Manabi Majumdar, Kripa Ananthpur, G.S. Ganesh Prasad and Indrashis Banerjee
2004		
3	Water Management and Agriculture in the Palar and the Parambikulam Aliyar Systems in Tamilnadu	A. Vaidyanathan and S. Janakarajan
2000		
2	Aspects of Global Deprivation and Disparity: A Child's Guide to Some Simple-Minded Arithmetic	S. Subramanian
1	Fertility Decline in Tamil Nadu: Social Capillarity in Action?	K. Nagaraj

8. Faculty Publications

8.1 Books

Author/ Editor	Title	Publisher
Ananta Kumar Giri	Mochi o Darshanika (The Cobbler and the Philosopher)	Bhubaneswar: Pathika Prakashana 2009
R. Maria Saleth (ed.)	Promoting Irrigation Demand Management in India: Potentials, Problems, and Prospects	International Water Management Institute, Colombo, Sri Lanka 2009
A.R. Venkatachalapathy	*Varalarum Karuthiyalum* (Tamil trans. of) Romila Thapar, *Past & Prejudice*	National Book Trust of India, New Delhi 2008

8.2 Contribution to Books

Author/ Editor	Title	Publisher
Ananta Kumar Giri	'The Calling of Practical Spirituality', Makarand Paranjape (ed.), *Science, Spirituality and Modernization of India*	Delhi: Anthem, 2008
	Foreword, *Diaspora and Belief* by John Clammer	Delhi: Shipra, 2008
	Foreword, *New Horizons of Critical Theory* by Piet Stryom	Delhi: Shipra, 2008
	Foreword, *Benedict Spinoza: An Appreciation*	Delhi: Shipra, 2008
S. Janakarajan	'Negotiation through social dialogue: Insights from the Cauvery dispute', *Transboundary River Water Sharing: An Indian Perspective,* N. Shantha Mohan Sailen Routray and N. Sashikumar	Routledge, 2009
D. Jayaraj (with S. Subramanian)	'The Distribution of Household Wealth in India', *Personal Wealth from a Global Perspective* (UNU-WIDER Studies in Development Economics), James B. Davies	Oxford University Press, Clarendon, 2008.
Kripa Ananthpur (co-author)	'Addressing legal rights in Karnatak', *Gender Discrimination in Land Ownership - Land Reforms in India*, Vol II, Prem Chowdhry (ed.)	Sage Publications, May 2009

(co-author)	'Devolution: An Evolutionary Perspective', *Agricultural Development, Rural Institutions And Economic Policy: Essays in honour of Professor A Vaidyanathan,* Gopal Kadekodi and Brinda Vishwanathan (eds.)	Oxford University Press, February 2009
(co-author)	'Formal Perception of Informal Justice: Village Councils and Access to Justice', *Access to Justice: The Great Betrayal in Governance*, Vol. II, Amita Singh and Naseer Aslam Zahid (eds.)	Prentice Hall of India, November 2008
R. Maria Saleth (ed.) (with Upali Amarasinghe)	'Promoting Irrigation Demand Management in India: Policy Options and Institutional Requirements', *Promoting Irrigation Demand Management in India: Potentials, Problems and Prospects*	International Water Management Institute, Colombo, Sri Lanka 2009
S. Subramanian (with D Jayaraj)	'The Distribution of Household Wealth in India', *Personal Assets from a Global Perspective,* J. Davies (ed)	Oxford: Clarendon, 2008
	'A Practical Proposal for Simplifying the Measurement of Income Poverty', *Arguments for a Better World: Essays in Honour of Amartya Sen,* Volume I: Ethics, Welfare and Measurement, K. Basu and R. Kanbur (eds.)	Oxford: Clarendon, 2009
	'Externality and Literacy: A Note', *Interdisciplinary Approaches to Literacy and Development*, K. Basu, B. Maddox, A. Robinson-Pant (eds.)	Routledge, 2009
A.R.Venkatachalapathy	'Making a Modern Self in Colonial Tamilnadu', *Biography as History: Indian Perspectives,* Vijaya Ramaswamy & Yogesh Sharma	Orient BlackSwan, New Delhi, 2009
	'*Kalaikkalanjiyam*: The making of the Tamil' Encyclopaedia, 1948- 1968', *Movable Type: Book History in India,* Swapan Chakravorty & Abhijit Gupta	Permanent Black, 2008

8.3 Book Reviews

Reviewer	Title of the Book	Author / Editor	Name of Publication
Anandhi S.	We Also Made History: Women in the Ambedkarite Movement : writing the History of the invisible	Urmila pawar and Meenakshi Moon and introduced by Wandana Sonalkar	*Economic and Political Weekly*, VolXLIV, No.6, 7-13 February 2009
	Women's Studies in India : A Reader	Mary E.John	*The Book Review*, Vol. XXXIII, No. 6, June 2009
Chandrasekara Naidu	Agriculture, Food Security, Poverty and Environment: Essays on Post-Reform India	C.H. Hanumantha Rao	*Review of Development & Change*, July-December 2008
C. Lakshmanan	Amma and Other Stories	Ompraksh Valmiki, Translated by Naresh K. Jain	*The Book Review*, April 2009
	Kahirlanji: A Strange and Bitter Crop	Anand Teltumbde	New Century's *Ungal Noozhagam*, April, 2009
Padmini Swaminathan	Capture and Exclude: Developing Economies and the Poor in Global Finance	Amiya Kumar Bagchi and Gary A. Dymski, Tulika Books, New Delhi, 2007	*The Book Review*, Volume XXXII, No. 6, June 2008
	Exposing the Myths of Muslim Fertility: Gender and Religion in a Resettlement Colony of Delhi	Sabiha Hussain, published by Promilla and Co., in association with Bibliophile South Asia. New Delhi and Chicago, 2008	*The Book Review*, Volume XXXII, No.10, October 2008
	ENSLAVED – The New Slavery	Rahila Gupta, HarperCollins Publishers Noida, India, 2008	*The Hindu*, 18 November 2008
	Daughters of Shame	Jasvinder Sanghera Imprint Hodder, Hachette India	*The Hindu*, 10 February 2009

	Replicating Dreams: A Comparative Study of Grameen Bank and its replication, Kashf Foundation, Pakistan	Nabiha Syed, OUP, New Delhi	*The Hindu*, 19 May 2009
	Never Done and Poorly Paid: Women's Work in Globalising India	Jayati Ghosh, Women Unlimited [an associate of Kali for Women], New Delhi 2009	*The Book Review*, Volume XXXIII, No. 6, June 2009
K. Sivasubramaniyan	Water insecurity, Institutions & Livelihood Dynamics: A Study in Plachimada, Kerala, India	K.N. Nair, Antonyto Paul and Vineetha Menon	*Dams, Rivers & People* Vol. 6. Issue 10-11, November-December 2008
A.R. Venkata chalapathy	Puratchi 1857	P.C. Joshi (ed.)	*The Hindu* 27 January 2009
	Kaval Kottam	Su. Venkatesan	*Kalachuvadu*, February 2009
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8.5 Abstracts of Publication

AJIT MENON

The Economic Impact of Forest Hydrological Services on Local Communities: A Case Study from the Western Ghats of India, Sharachchandra Lele, Iswar Patil, Shrinivas Badiger, Ajit Menon and Rajeev Kumar, SANDEE Working Paper No. 36- 08

The conventional wisdom that 'more forest is always better' has dominated policy making in the management of forested watersheds. In the context of the supposed hydrological regulation service provided by forest ecosystems, however, hydrologists have debated this assumption for more than two decades. Unfortunately, detailed studies of the relationship between forest cover, hydrology and the economic use of water have been relatively scarce, especially in the tropical forests of South Asia. Building upon a larger research project at four sites in the Western Ghats of peninsular India, this study examines the link between stream flow, agricultural water use an economic returns to agriculture. The study attempts to simulate the likely impacts of regeneration of a degraded forest catchment on stream flow and the consequent impact on irrigation tank based agriculture in a downstream village. The authors find that regeneration of forests would reduce the ratio of runoff to rainfall in the forested catchment thereby significantly reducing the probability of filling the well-used irrigation tank. This in turn reduces the probability of the command area farmers being able to cultivate an irrigated paddy crop, particularly in the summer season, thereby reducing expected farm income as well as wage income for landless and marginal landowning households. The study results seem counter intuitive to conventional wisdom. This result is, however, not because the hydrological relationships in this region are peculiar, but because the community immediately downstream of the forest is using water in a particular manner, viz., through irrigation tanks for growing water-intensive crops. The main implication is that policymakers must move away from simplistic notions of forests being good for everything and under all circumstances, and facilitate context-specific, ecologically and economically informed forest governance.

S. ANANDHI

The Manifesto and the Modern self: Reading the Autobiography of Muthulakshmi Reddy, *Journal of Gender History,* No.4, October 2008

In defining the modern selfhood, Indian autobiographies of men not only has privileged the 'public self' but also has defined the boundaries of the public and the political through articulation of the masculine self as rational and enlightened which could transcend the contingencies of desire, affectivity and the body and that the female self as the embodied, non-modern 'other' that belongs to the affective domain of the private or domestic, especially in the context of modernity. Women's autobiographies, on the other hand, offer a counter-public discourse by imagining an alternate modern selfhood that challenge the elision of masculinity and modernity by reconstituting women's subjectivity as political subjects in the modern public sphere. In narrating the gendered experiences of modernity, women's autobiographies have adopted a form known as 'Autobiographical Manifesto'. The manifesto form enabled women to narrate their experiences of oppressions and exclusions from the public sphere and gave a call for new political collectivity and imagined future possibilities for modern selfhood. This paper attempts to analyse the autobiographical Manifesto of a middle-class feminist from Colonial Tamilnadu,.S.Muthulakshmi Reddy who was the first woman medical graduate from the Madras presidency, the first woman to be elected as a member to the legislative council in British India, an activist and a leader of the women's movement, an ardent Gandhian nationalist who tirelessly campaigned against the Devadasi system and child marriage and brought about a range of welfare measures for women. The paper critically engages with the autobiographical manifesto as the form and with the inherent limits of modernity to radical politics.

S. Janakarajan

Negotiation through Social Dialogue: Insights from the Cauvery Dispute, *Transboundary River Water Sharing: An Indian Perspective,* N. Shantha Mohan, Sailen Routray and N. Sashikumar (eds.), Routledge 2009.

All contending states in the case of Cauvery water dispute have approached the Supreme Court by way of filing what is called Special Leave Petitions. The Tribunal itself was constituted as per the provisions of the Inter-State Water Disputes Act 1956, as amended in 2002, after considerable hearings in the Supreme Court. Therefore the Final Award of the Tribunal is considered as good as the verdict of the Supreme Court. If that is so, it is seems to be quite unclear why the Supreme Court has again entertained the Special Leave Petitions by the contending states; rather the Court should have referred these petitions back to the Tribunal. Now that the dispute is back in the Court, it may take some more years before whatever final verdict is announced. Nevertheless, our concern is to what extent the *so called* final award is going to be accepted by contending states, in particular Karnataka. The legal course has already taken one full round without any sighting any prospect. The ongoing social dialogue gains more significance precisely under these circumstances.

Urbanization and Peri-urbanization: Aggressive Competition and Unresolved Conflicts - The case of Chennai city in India, *South Asian Water Studies* www.sawasjournal.org, Volume 1 Issue 1, Dec 2008

The peri-urban areas have now become a highly contested terrain due to rapid urban expansion, demographic pressure, industrialization and the increasing natural resources crisis. The institutional vacuum prevailing in these areas further aggravates the intensity of problems in democratic countries such as India. This paper ventures to highlight the issue in the contest of urban and per-urban conflicts emerging in Chennai city. Following the introduction, Section 2 provides back ground information on the city such as urbanization process and delivery of urban services in Chennai city; Section 3 introduces the NEGOWAT project with objectives and methodology adopted; Section -4 discusses the overall nature and intensity of water conflicts in Chennai and peri-urban areas; Section 5 discusses the methodology, outcomes and difficulties encountered in developing multi-stakeholders' platforms and dialogues; Section 6 analyses water resources audits carried out in the context of Chennai and peri-urban areas. The last Section summarizes key lessons learnt and policy options available to move forward and to have more positive impact.

D. Jayaraj

The Distribution of Household Wealth in India, *Personal Wealth from a Global Perspective (*UNU-WIDER Studies in Development Economics), James B. Davies (ed.), Oxford University Press, Clarendon, 2008.

This paper reviews the principal source of India's wealth distribution statistics, which is constituted by the five decennial Reserve Bank of India-National Sample Survey Organization *Surveys on Debt and Investment* of 1961-62, 1971-72, 1981-82, 1991-92, and 2002-03. The data available are described, critically appraised, and analyzed to present some salient findings in terms of the levels of debt, the levels of asset holdings across the States of the Indian Union and over time, wealth composition, and aspects of vertical and horizontal inequality in the distribution of wealth. The centrality of land and real estate in the wealth status of India is underlined, and some broad aspects of redistributive anti-poverty policy are spelt out.

Factors Contributing to the Declining Trend in Sex Differentials in Mortality in India: An Exploratory Analysis, *Economic and Political Weekly,* Vol. 43(32), August 9, 2008

The disappearance of 'excess' female mortality tends to be attributed to reductions in discrimination

against females in the intra-family allocation of resources in the spheres of access to healthcare and nutrition. The explanatory analysis in this paper suggests that the disappearance of 'excess' female mortality in India is attributable to the process of demographic development and not to reductions in discrimination against females in the intra-family allocation of resources.

The Wellbeing Implications of a Change in the Sex-ratio of a Population, *Social Choice and Welfare,* Vol33(1), June 2009

It is often the case with socio-economic, or development-related, indicators that these are explicitly in the nature of 'wellbeing' or 'illbeing' indicators, such that increases in their values are routinely interpreted as reflecting 'improvements' or 'deteriorations', as the case may be. The sex-ratio of a population is one such indicator: an over-time reduction in the value of this statistic is generally regarded as pointing to a worsening in the relative wellbeing of women. This paper argues that summary real-valued socio-economic measures are largely in the nature of end-state descriptions, and not always completely reliable guides to the processes underlying their realization. This is also true for the sex-ratio measure. The paper points to the utility of decomposing a given change in the sex-ratio of a population into changes in its constituent and determining factors. In particular, the sex-ratio can be seen to be determined by the prior history of sex-ratios at birth and the prior history of the relative survival advantage of females. The magnitude and direction of changes in these determining factors are pointers to the processes that have mediated the change in the aggregate sex-ratio, and therefore pointers to whether the sex-ratio change—independently of the *direction* of change—may be interpreted in developmentally favourable or unfavourable terms. The issues underlying these considerations are illustrated through the use of relevant demographic data for India.

Exploring the Importance of Excess Female Mortality and Discrimination in 'Natality' in explaining the 'Lowness' of the Sex Ratio in India, *The Developing Economies,* Vol 47(2), June 2009

The beginning of the present century has been marked by a shift in attention from "excess" female mortality to discrimination in natality in explaining the "lowness" of the sex ratio or proportion of women in India's population. Such a shift in focus seemingly suggests that discrimination in intra-family allocation of resources has reduced substantially in India. In this context, an attempt has been made to decompose the observed lowness of the sex ratio in India vis-à-vis that of the stable population into that attributable to: (1) age structure difference, (2) excess female mortality, and (3) abnormalities in sex ratios at birth in India. Estimated contributions by each factor suggest that, as late as 2001, excess female mortality or the lowness of the relative survival advantage of women is the single most important determinant of "missing" women in India. The results also point to the importance of age structure difference, which accounts for a little more than 17% of the lowness of the sex ratio in India in 2001.

KRIPA ANANTHPUR

'Addressing Land rights in Karnataka' second author with Jennifer Brown and Renee Gioverelli in *"Gender Discrimination in Land Rights",* Sage Publishing House, New Delhi, May 2009

Rural women throughout India contribute greatly to agricultural production and ate highly dependent on agricultural sources of income. Yet these women, who both contribute to and depend on agriculture, do not have secure rights to the most important agricultural asset: Land. The purpose of this paper is to evaluate women's access and rights to land in Karnataka state and to provide policy recommendations aimed at enhancing the position of rural women.

Devolution: An Evolutionary Perspective' (co-author) in *"Agricultural Development, Rural Institutions and Economic Policy: Essays in honour of Professor A Vaidyanathan"*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, February, 2009.

This paper has the primary objective of placing devolution/decentralization in a historical and evolutionary perspective as literature on decentralization does not generally use an evolutionary lens as an analytical tool. Consequently the influence of some major factors on the fortunes of decentralization is not adequately highlighted. This paper attempts to address this lacuna by situating the discussion in an evolutionary perspective. This paper is a product of a larger study that examined devolution in a comparative perspective in three states, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and West Bengal.

'Formal Perception of Informal Justice: Village Councils and access to Justice' first author with Anirudh Krishna in Amita Singh and Naseer Aslam Zahid(eds.), *"Access to Justice: The Great Betrayal in Governance" Vol II,* Prentice Hall of India, November, 2008.

While newspapers continue to carry stories of extreme and reprehensible punishments meted out by them and important voices call for their abolition, traditional and informal village councils continue to provide for the majority of Indian villagers the main and preferred forums for justice and dispute resolution. Eliciting the opinions of thousands of villagers of different stripes in Karnataka and Rajasthan, we found that more than 80 percent of all village residents – of all caste groups and both genders, educated and illiterate, young and old – preferred the informal village councils to the formal system of police and the courts. Despite having access to and awareness of the formal systems, the vast majority of village residents nevertheless strongly prefer to take their disputes before the informal village assemblies. As the backlog of cases mounts in the formal courts, it is time to take a fresh look, based on systematic evidence, at how informal councils function in practice and how they have adapted to a changing situation. Such an examination reveals that informal village councils can have a very important ongoing role. Rather than being reviled or replaced, they should be brought in more closely – and carefully – within the mainstream of formally recognized dispute resolution mechanisms. Examples from several other countries show how such informal institutions have been more closely integrated with the formal justice system. This paper is intended to stimulate informed public discussion related to the possibilities for mainstreaming and reforming – rather than replacing – informal justice mechanisms in India.

C. LAKSHMANAN

Criteria for a Caste Certificate: Hereditary Occupation or Professing Occupation (Jati Sandrithallukku Thakuthi: Jati Thozhila? Seiuem Thozhila), *Pudu Visai*, July - September 2008

The caste has been used for gaining political power, economic betterment and social status/ supremacy, whereby every caste looks for one below in the Caste Structure to exploit. The naked realities- exclusion of Dalits from the main body of society continues in many forums – physical, spiritual, material and cultural. It argues that persistence of caste discrimination and strongly embedded prejudices are primarily due to the Dalits' dependence upon the dominant caste landlords for their livelihood. Further, within Dalit communities relatively better off and numerically higher sub-caste tends to imitate/ replicate the dominant caste-Hindus. In this backdrop the paper argued how difficult it was for Puthirai Vannars to avail SC Certificate from government official and face untold stories of humiliations. It is a field survey based description of issues involving problems related to availing SC certificate by the Puthirai Vannars in Tamil Nadu.

Portrayal of Contemporary lives in Mani Ratnam Films, *Malayalam Varika*, November 2008

This article shows substantial analysis of director Mani Ratnam films and political discourse in contemporary realm. In the early 1980s, perhaps Tamil cinema witnessed the entry of new personalities

with multiple talents; these include some films which are outside the preview of Dravidian parties, which deal with different political issues in the state. Every personality who enters the Tamil film as director had distinguished quality and skills. A fashionable ace director Mani Ratnam had entered the industry without much struggle because of his brother G. Venkateswaran (GV Films) and with the net-work of socio-cultural and political background. Many film critics wonder what is special about Mani Ratnam and his films. Did he make any difference or gain name for himself? If so, how one could credit / rate him, are some questions which need to be answered. Though, the first cinematographer of Mani Ratnam was Balu Mahendra - much acclaimed personality in Indian cinema, no way one can find his influence. One could glimpse genre of Mani Ratnam films for more upper middle class portrayals. One of the distinctions is his courage or boldness to handle highly sensitive issues of contemporary political problems. Similarly, his films consciously if not celebrates, but certainly gave immense importance for the Brahmanical way of life. Since most of the cultural constructs remain a construction of the subconscious, they function as potent tools through which the notions of superiority or inferiority are structured to exert control in the external spheres of life. Incidentally, his entry into Tamil film industry was a period of a beginning of Brahmanical retreat and debacles of Dravidian/ Tamil assertion. The cinematic narratives reproduce pan Indian ideologies which in a way legitimate oppressive Hindu cultural perceptions.

Ahead of the Haze, *Outlook*, April, 2009

This article opines on Tamil Nadu Politics, which argues that since 2006 it has witnessed unambiguous transition of the two Dravidian parties' monopoly of controlling state power with multiple groups or coalition politics. These grouping have been demanding legitimate share in the spheres of state power structures grounded on primordialism of caste, religion, ethnic and celluloid acquaintances. It is to be noted however that the democratic trajectory of Tamil Nadu with the umbilical cord between the film industry and the realm of politics is alive as ever and continues to make its presence felt. Though, people of Tamil Nadu often script differently their political destiny compared to other counterpart elsewhere in the country they had been able to make predictions of election in the past. Thus, the 15th Lok Sabha becomes too difficult to predict the pre-poll survey. Reasons are: (a) delimitation of constituencies. In the past, parties and politicians were well acquainted with the social group composition of each electoral constituency which was, indeed an asset to the party, in terms of filing candidates in accordance with the composition of social groups for respective constituencies. Second, the conspicuous presence of the newly formed political parties in the race has made odds to electoral predictions.

R. Maria Saleth

Promoting Irrigation Demand Management in India: Policy Options and Institutional Requirements, International Water Management Institute, Colombo, Sri Lanka, 2009

Against the backdrop of a discussion on the rationale, logic, and scope for irrigation demand management in India, this paper provides a brief overview of the status, effectiveness, and technical and institutional requirements of six demand management options, i.e., water pricing, water markets, water rights, energy regulations, water saving technologies, and user organizations. The paper, then, develops a framework that captures the analytics of irrigation demand management in terms of both the impact pathways of and the operational linkages among the options and their underlying institutions. Using this framework, the paper also outlines a strategy for irrigation demand management that can exploit well the inherent synergies among the options and also align them well with the underlying institutional structure and its environment. After discussing how such a strategy can be effectively promoted within the institutional and political constraints facing countries such as India, the paper concludes with the policy implications for irrigation demand management.

Economic gains of improving Soil fertility and Water holding capacity with Clay application: The impact of Soil Remediation Research in Northeast Thailand, *Journal of Development Effectiveness*, 1(3): 336–352, 2009

Using data from a survey of 250 farmers and applying different impact assessment methods, this paper provides an ex-post impact assessment of the Soil Remediation Research Project (SRRP) undertaken by IWMI in Northeast Thailand during 2002-05. This Project demonstrated and promoted the application of clay technology as a quick and cost effective means for improving the fertility and water holding capacity of sandy soils. With the empirically estimated average impacts of this technology and the clay using area observed in the sample (176 ha) and that estimated for the region (5600 ha), the overall impact and economic viability of this Project are evaluated during 2002-08 both at the sample and regional contexts. Recognizing the roles of partners and others, the benefit shares attributed to IWMI are only 50 and 10 percent respectively for the sample and regional level evaluations. The impact evaluation suggests that the SRRP has a net present value (NPV) of US$ 0.7 million with a benefit-cost ratio (BCR) of 3.1 for the sample context and a NPV of US$ 99.5 million with a BCR of 317.7 for the larger context of the region. Since impacts cover only direct income benefits and their evaluation involves conservative assumptions on benefit calculation and attribution, these estimates represent only the lower bounds for the true size of project impact. Despite an apparent soil focus, the evaluated impacts also capture equally the yield effects of an improved soil water holding capacity as well.

PADMINI SWAMINATHAN

Education and Skill Development in the Context of Declining rate of Formal Employment Generation: Issue for Discussion, *The Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, Vol. 51, No. 4, 2008

This paper brings together the findings and recommendations of several different official reports on the theme of higher education and the interface of the latter with employment. There is also an attempt to contextualise the findings and recommendations of the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Review Committee Report and positing its findings and recommendations against those of other Reports bringing out the divergence in the approach (and therefore conclusions) of the different reports on the issue of higher education and skill development. Overall, the engagement with these different reports enable us to raise some important but uncomfortable questions arising from official thinking on the theme of higher education and skill development.

Exclusions From, Inclusions In, 'Development': Implications for Engendering Development' Agenda?, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 43, No. 43, October 25-31, 2008

Using official Reports, supplemented with field notes, this paper examines the quantum and nature of exclusion from, and inclusion in 'development'. Data reveal that, for females, education and employment move in opposite directions, that literacy among female workers is lower than literacy among non-working females and that development is not closing the gender gap measured in terms of females per 1000 males. Bulk of females 'included' in development, disproportionately constitute the unorganized workers; the latter includes the unorganized sector plus workers working in the formal sector as informal workers. Given such a macro context, the paper is skeptical of the feminist agenda of engendering development.

Literacy and Levels of Formal Education of the Indian [General and Working] Population: A National Report Card, NCERT sponsored Zakir Hussain Memorial lecture delivered at the Regional Institute of Education, Mysore, January 30, 2009

This text is organized in two parts as follows. Part 1 has two sections. In Section 1, available secondary data has been analyzed to compare and understand 'change' during the decade of the nineties using,

largely, data from Census 2001 and from data provided by the Central Statistical Organization in the various National Sample Survey Reports. While the aim in this Section is to capture the all-India situation in 2001, a focus on Tamil Nadu is continued in order to unravel whether 'better developed states' such as Tamil Nadu have been able to translate faster growth into more 'inclusive' growth during the decade of the nineties. In Section 2 we shift our emphasis to a discussion of the interface between education and employment and the record of the Indian state in operationalizing the concepts of *gainful* and *decent* employment. In particular this section brings together official findings on the state of vocational/ professional education in the country. Part 2 of the text discusses the findings of a field-based study undertaken jointly by the author in Tamil Nadu. The Livelihood Assessment Survey was an attempt to understand the nature of risks faced by the poorest among the poor and also their coping mechanisms. The relevance of reproducing here the observations from the survey lie in the remarkable manner in which people on the ground, women in particular, in their own words linked their inability to make a transition to a better life because of the disjuncture that they perceived between the macro-economic issues of employment and growth on the one hand, and the realities of their everyday life on the other. In the process they also revealed their growing anxieties about the uncertain future facing them, since macro-economic development did not seem to directly benefit them and which therefore forced governments to institute ad hoc welfare policies that were by nature non-universal, discretionary and not in synch with ground requirements. A more crucial significance of these findings also lie in the fact that, they, inadvertently, provide a nuanced understanding of villagers' perceptions of the circumstances that force them to make gendered choices on a range of issues, including education of their children.

Women, Work and Health: Examining Linkages, Addressing Challenges, *Indian Journal of Human Development*, Vol. 3, No. 1, 2009

This article is part of a larger on-going attempt to approach the theme of women's health by: (a) mapping the multi-dimensional nature of their work; (b) addressing the contexts in which such work is carried out; (c) bringing together women's perceptions of their well-being, and (d) analysing these perceptions against macro information for establishing links between 'work' and 'health'. In a context where investments in basic infrastructure are abysmally low, the combination of household responsibilities and work towards augmenting the household's income resulting in long working days, contributes to 'time famine' with negative effects on women's health and well-being. An important objective of this article is to bring together the findings of official reports on the theme of Women, Work and Health, which inadvertently corroborate and accord official recognition to what feminist scholarship and feminist practices on the field have been highlighting (quite unsuccessfully) for a long time.

S. Subramanian

The Distribution of Household Wealth in India, Oxford: Clarendon, 2008

This paper reviews the principal source of India's wealth distribution statistics, which is constituted by the five decennial Reserve Bank of India-National Sample Survey Organization *Surveys on Debt and Investment* of 1961-62, 1971-72, 1981-82, 1991-92, and 2002-03. The data available are described, critically appraised, and analyzed to present some salient findings in terms of the levels of debt, the levels of asset holdings across the States of the Indian Union and over time, wealth composition, and aspects of vertical and horizontal inequality in the distribution of wealth. The centrality of land and real estate in the wealth status of India is underlined, and some broad aspects of redistributive anti-poverty policy are spelt out.

A Practical Proposal for Simplifying the Measurement of Income Poverty, Oxford: Clarendon, 2009

The identification problem in the measurement of income poverty is associated with a number of both

conceptual and pragmatic difficulties. These difficulties also have implications for the possibility of coherent aggregation. Conceptually sound identification procedures could be hard to implement, while conceptually dubious procedures are misleading. One possible way out of the problem might be to avoid the identification exercise altogether, by resort to a thoroughgoing fuzzy approach to poverty measurement. It can be quite easily shown, as is done in this paper, that certain well-known 'exact' income-based indices of aggregate welfare (including one due to Amartya Sen) can be rationalized as fuzzy poverty measures. Such an approach to poverty measurement is certainly not free of interpretational ambiguity. But it does have simplicity on its side, as well as the fact that extant feasible approaches are also not exempt from conceptual niggles.

Externality and Literacy: A Note, Routledge, 2009

Kaushik Basu and James Foster [(1998): 'On Measuring Literacy', Economic Journal, 108: 1733-1749] have opened up an interesting approach to the measurement of literacy, in which the phenomenon of externality has an important role to play. The externality these authors examine is what one may call a 'material' externality, and they demonstrate that reckoning such an externality in the measurement of literacy provides an instrumental justification for 'horizontal equity'. The present note elucidates this link through a specific formulation of the Basu-Foster thesis. It also suggests that, apart from a 'material externality', there is also a 'psychic externality' to be considered. The 'psychic externality' runs in a direction somewhat orthogonal to that of the 'material externality' postulated by Basu and Foster, and it is shown that reckoning such an externality in the measurement of literacy provides an instrumental justification for being sensitive to levels of literacy-attainment in comparisons of literacy improvements. In a broad way, the note suggests that considerations of 'identity' can be formulated through alternative conceptions of 'externality', which turn out to have unexpected implications for the assessment of 'equity' and 'improvement' in literacy comparisons.

On a 'level-sensitive' Headcount Ratio: Revisiting Shorrocks' Poverty Index, *Social Indicators Research*, 88(3):477-482,2008

It is often argued that indicators of achievement or deprivation should be measured such that they display a property of 'level-sensitivity', whereby a given change in the indicator acquires a greater significance the higher (lower) the level of achievement (deprivation) at which the change occurs. In this note, it is shown that a level-sensitive headcount ratio of poverty can be derived from an application of the very useful graphical device called 'a deprivation profile' advanced by Anthony Shorrocks (A. F. Shorrocks, 1996: 'Deprivation Profiles and Deprivation Indices', in S. Jenkins, A. Kapteyn and B. Vaan Praag (eds.): *The Distribution of Welfare and Household Production: International Perspectives*, London: Cambridge University Press).

Global Poverty, Inequality, and Aid flows: A rough guide to some Simple Justice, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 43(46): 53-56, 2008

How one measures poverty and inequality has implications for a variety of policy interventions relating to fair allocation in a variety of institutional settings. The distribution of international aid is an important case in point. This essay re-asserts the importance of certain old-fashioned questions relating to international aid: what is the quantum of aid available in relation to the need for it? How may patterns of allocation, at both the dispensing and receiving ends of aid, be determined so as to take account of both poverty and inter-national inequality in the distribution of incomes? Can some simple and plausible rules of allocation be devised? If so, what correspondence does reality bear to such rules? The questions are addressed with the aid of some simple analytics relating to optimal budgetary intervention in the alleviation of poverty. The ideas discussed are clarified by means of data employed in elementary empirical illustrations.

"How many Poor in the World?": A Critique of Ravalion's reply, *Economic and Political Weekly* 44(5): 67-71, 2009

This paper is a detailed repudiation of Martin Ravallion's response to the *Economic and Political Weekly*'s editorial titled 'How Many poor in the World?'

Poverty Measurement in the presence of a 'Group Affiliation Externality', *Journal of Human Development*, 10(1): 63-76, 2009

This paper considers the implications for poverty measurement of the observed fact that any individual's level of deprivation is a function not only of his own income, but of the general level of prosperity of the group to which he is affiliated. Individual deprivation functions are specialized to a form which reflects this 'group-affiliation' externality, and the resulting poverty measure is studied with respect to its properties, and its implications for poverty rankings. Mainstream approaches to measuring deprivation tend to neglect group-related externalities in favour of a certain thorough-going 'individualism'. This paper is a preliminary attempt at filling this gap.

The Well-being Implications of a Change in the Sex-ratio of a Population, *Social Choice and Welfare*, 3:129-150, 2009

It is often the case with socio-economic, or development-related, indicators that these are explicitly in the nature of 'welfare' or 'illfare' indicators, such that increases in their values are routinely interpreted as reflecting 'improvements' or 'deteriorations', as the case may be. The sex ratio of a population is one such indicator: an over-time reduction in the value of this statistic is generally regarded as pointing to a worsening in the relative well-being of women. This paper argues that summary real-valued socio-economic measures are largely in the nature of end-state descriptions, and not always completely reliable guides to the processes underlying their realization. This is also true for the sex-ratio measure. The paper points to the utility of decomposing a given change in the sex-ratio of a population into changes in its constituent and determining factors. The magnitude and direction of these changes are pointers to the processes that have mediated the change in the aggregate sex-ratio, and therefore pointers to whether the sex-ratio change – independently of the *direction* of change – may be interpreted in developmentally favourable or unfavourable terms. The issues underlying these considerations are illustrated through the use of relevant demographic data for India.

Reckoning Inter-group Poverty Differentials in the Measurement of Poverty, *Pacific Economic Review*, 14(1): 46-55, 2009

In a heterogeneous population which can be partitioned into well-defined subgroups, it is plausible that the extent of measured aggregate poverty should depend upon the distribution of poverty across the subgroups. In particular, a judgment against an unequal inter-group distribution of poverty can be upheld as an intrinsic social virtue. The aggtegate measure of poverty, in line with this view, would then lend itself to 'penal adjustment' in order to reflect the extent of inter-group disparity in the distribution of poverty that obtains. In the present paper, this approach to poverty measurement is examined with specific reference to the advancement of a diagrammatic aid to analysis called the *group poverty profile*. The latter is a virtual transplantation, to the present context, of the notion of a *deprivation profile* that has been explored and analyzed by A. F. Shorrocks in a different context ('Deprivation Profiles and Deprivation Indices', in S.Jenkins, A.Kapteyn and B.Vaan Praag (eds.): *The Distributions of Welfare and Household Production: International Perspectives*, Cambridge University Press: London, 1996).

Can Cluster Development Programmes Ensure Decent Work? Evidence from Indian MSE Clusters in Global Value Chains, *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, 51/3: 409-420, 2008

Clusters of micro and small enterprises are increasingly seen by policy makers and multilateral agencies as possible growth engines and employment generators in the current globalising environment. Several policy initiatives seek to build the capabilities of these enterprises to help them compete in the global market. It is implicitly assumed that competing through improved quality and product innovation will lead to better employment outcomes as well. In this paper, based largely on secondary literature on globalising clusters specialising in key export sectors, I evaluate the links between success in the global product markets and the quality of work and employment. I contend that the relationship need not necessarily be a positive one. The movement into global markets has not been accompanied by any significant improvements to the quality of employment generated. Market dynamism in itself may not be sufficient to ensure better work conditions. On the contrary, the dynamism itself may be sustained by poor work conditions. The question therefore, is to what extent can this situation be reversed? What are the possibilities in low-income countries that market dynamism can be sustained through a continuous upgrading of labour market conditions? What are the possible modes of intervention that will ensure decent employment for labour in such clusters? This paper aims to address these questions. Improvements in the quality of work, I argue, require interventions of a different order compared to those aimed at improving the competitiveness of MSEs. While in terms of product market upgrading, artisanal and modern clusters may require different kinds of intervention, particularly in terms of real services, there are common grounds for the provision of social infrastructure for workers and artisans.

Regional Labour Markets and Industrial Development: Exploratory insights from an India-China Comparison, Institute of Developing Economies, Joint Research Program Series No.150. Chiba: IDE-JETRO. Tokyo, 2009

Critical to the dynamism of micro and small enterprises clusters in low income regions is an array of institutions ranging from those that reduce transactions costs, to those that help them dynamically compete like provisioning of credit, technological capabilities and market information. A vital component of this local institutional milieu pertains to the labour market, particularly in the realm of skill formation. China and India are home to several dynamic regions but embedded in different institutional milieus. Further across most provinces in China and main states in India, labour productivity has registered much higher increases in China. Obviously, this brings the issue of skill formation and other contributing factors to labour productivity to the forefront. To what extent are labour market institutions geared to take advantage of new market opportunities? How do local labour market institutions mediate between global product market pressures and local labour outcomes? Does the current mode of labour regulation ensure better conditions for labour? Are there lessons to be learnt for and from the two regions in the realm of labour market regulation to improve skill formation and worker welfare? In this paper, I explore these questions through a comparative study of the nature of these institutions in two dynamic regions in China and India embedded in a set of different national level regulatory institutions.

9. Faculty Participation in Academic Activities

9.1 Papers presented at Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

Name	Title of Paper/Conference	Sponsoring Institution / Place	Date / Month / Year
Ajit Menon	"Public Policies and Forests in the Central Western Ghats of South India", Governing shared resources: connecting local experience to global challenges	International Association for the Study of the Commons (IASC), University of Gloucestershire, U.K.	14-18 July 2008
	"Social Movement against Industrial Water Pollution: A Case Study of Bhavani River Protection Joint Council, Tamil Nadu" (joint paper presented by Prakash Nelliyat), Workshop on Social Movements in India	SOPPECOM, Pune	4-5 March 2009
	"Development on the Tamil Nadu Coast: Some Issues of Well-Being", Coastal Well-Being in, Tamil Nadu	NERC-ESRC-DFID, Institute of Ocean Management, Anna University	4-8 April 2009
	"Competing discourses and visions for protected area management: The case of Mudumalai", Forest management and representation in India	University of Paris Ouest-Nanterre-La Defense, France	12 May 2009
Ananta Kumar Giri	"Identity and Universality"	MIDS, Chennai	28 July 2008
	"Rethinking the Human and the Social: Towards a Multiverse of Transformations", The Human and the Social: What Human Securities Approach and Social Quality Approach Give to Each Other	Annual Conference of Human Development and Capability Association, New Delhi	13-14 September 2008
	"New Horizons of Human Development: Art, Spirituality and Social Transformations"	Indian Business Academy Greater Noida	15-16 September 2008
	"Poverty and Spirituality: Compassion, Confrontation and the Calling of Transformations", Poverty and Spirituality, Poverty Week	Technology and Culture Forum, MIT, Boston	23 October 2008
	"Rethinking Religion and Civil Society: The Calling of Self-Development", Religion and Civil Society	Department of Christian Studies, University of Madras	11 December 2008

"Compassion and Confrontation"	Indian Business Academy, Bangalore	12 January 2009
"Rethinking Poverty and the Media", Developing Poverty Reporting Standards for the Media	Gurukul Lutheran Theological College and Research Institute, Chennai	30-31 January 2009
"Knowing Together in Compassion and Confrontation: Social Movements, Gift of Knowledge and the Challenge of Transformations", Language, Mind and Social Construction	IIT Mumbai,	9-11 February 2009
"Planetary Blossoming and the Calling of a Post-Colonial Cosmopolis: *Hind Swaraj* and the Contemporary Challenge of Compassion and Confrontation", Social Development and Human Civilization in the 21st Century	India International Center	12-14 February 2009
"Compassion and Confrontation"	Indian Business Academy, Greater Noida	16 February 2009
"Rethinking the Public Sphere", Media and the Public Sphere: Towards a Culture of Peace	Asian Center for Cross-Cultural Studies, Panyur, Chennai	18 February 2009
"The Calling of Justice and Peace", Dynamics of Rural Transformation	Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad	27-28 February 2009
"Rethinking Humanities: The Calling of Compassion and Confrontation", Humanities and Social Sciences in India: Issues and Challenges in the Era of Globalization	Women's Christian College,	12-13 March 2009
"School of Life: New Initiatives in Learning the Art of Wholeness for Adults and Children in Denmark", Youth empowerment and employment	Pondicherry University, Pondicherry	16 March 2009
"Compassion and Confrontation: Realizing New Paths of Human Development and Social Transformations"	University of Madras, Chennai	31 March 2009

	"School of Life and New Horizons of Life Skill Education", Life Skills Education	Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Youth Development, Sriperupemudur, Tamilnadu	7 April 2009
	"Learning the Art of Wholeness"	Indian Business Academy, Bangalore	13 April 2009
	"Sahuraayata o Sammukhinata [Compassion and Confrontation]", Compassion and confrontation in human development, literature and social transformations	Sikhasandhana, Bhubaneswar	17 May 2009
	"World Social Forum", Faith and Ecology"	Network of SADED, New Delhi, Indian International Center	18 May 2009
	"Cultivating Meditative Pluralism" Education for the Excluded and the Marginalized	Deshkal and Sikshasandhan	21-22 May 2009
	"Beyond Adaptation and Meditative Verbs of Co-Realizations: Towards Creative Nurturance of "I," "Me," and "You" and the Transformative Fellowship of Non-Duality", Mead's Theory: Interpretation, Application and Transcendence	Department of Sociology, Fujen University, Taipei, Taiwan	23 May 2009
	"Compassion and Confrontation", Thai social scientists, poets and activists	Chulalongkorn Institute of Social Research, Bangkok,	17 June 2009
S. Janakarajan	"Measures to augment Chennai city's water supply: A futuristic and sustainable alternative", Consultative meeting on *Drinking water in Chennai: Prospects and Problems*	State Planning Commission, Government of Tamil Nadu, Chennai	18 July 2008
	"Climate change and adaptation politics/policies, Climate change and livelihood resilience in South Asia"	NOAA/ IDRC, Kathmandu, Nepal	15-22 November 2008
	"Risks and Vulnerability in coastal Tamilnadu, Disaster management and livelihoods resilience"	Winrock international, Delhi and ISET, Boulder, USA, New Delhi	3-4 February 2009
	"Negotiation through Social Dialogue: The Experience of the Cauvery Interstate Water Dispute", Session	World Water Forum-5, Istanbul, Turkey	14-18 March 2009

	Topic 6.1 - Education, Knowledge and Capacity Development Strategies		
	"Impact of tannery pollution on agriculture and human health", Human Dimensions of Global Environmental Change	IHDP Open Meeting 2009, Bonn, Germany	26-30 April 2009
D. Jayaraj	"Factors Contributing to the Declining Trend in Sex-Differentials in Mortality in India: An Exploratory Analysis", Population and Development	Centre for Population Studies, University of Madras, Chennai	21 October 2007
Karen Coelho	"The Politics of Civil Society: Neighborhood Associations & Civil Society in Chennai", Urban Neoliberalism: Restructuring South Asian Cities	South Asia Node of the Spaces of Democracy Network, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai	November 2008
	"Neighborhood-Based Collective Action and Social Accountability of Urban Service Providers in Chennai City, India", Beyond the Tipping Point: Asian Development in an Urban World	UNU-WIDER, Kolkata, India	15-17 December 2008
	"Tapping In: Leaky Sovereignties and National Gallery of Modern Engineered Dis(Order) in an Urban Water System", The State of Urban Water	PUKAR (Partners in Urban Knowledge, Action and Research), Mumbai in collaboration with SOAK	28 June 2009
Kripa Ananthpur	"Role of customary Village councils in Local Governance", Customary Governance and Democracy Building	International IDEA and IIAS, Shimla, India	22 - 23 May 2009
	"Pluralism in Practice: Stories of political bargaining and negotiations from rural south India", 4th Global conference on Pluralism, Citizenship and Inclusion	Inter-disciplinary. Net, Salzburg, Austria	31 October - 2 November 2008
C. Lakshmanan (co-authored)	"Untouchability among Untouchables: A Socio-Cultural Subordination of *Puthirai Vannar* in Tamil Nadu", National Seminar on State and Society in South India	Institute of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of Kerala, Trivandrum	5-7 November 2008
	Social Justice and Identity Politics Juxtaposing Annihilation of Caste in India, National Conference on Towards Social Justice in India	Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	15-17 January 2009

R. Maria Saleth (with Upali Amarasinghe)	"Demand Management Strategies for Indian Irrigation", Strategic Analysis of India's National River Linking project	International Water Management Institute, New Delhi	April 7-8, 2009
K. Nagaraj	"Differentiation in Rural India: Asset Holdings of Households in FAS Villages", Economic Restructuring, Higher Education, Labour Market & Social Inequalities	ICSSR-ESRC, ICSSR, Delhi	4-5 December 2008
	"Selecting a Study Village", Studying Village Economics in India; A Colloquium on Methodology	FAS – Planning Commission, Chalsa, West Bengal	21-24 December 2008
	"Patterns of Migration: A Comparison of Tamil Nadu & Kerala", Gender and Migration	CWDS, New Delhi, Asha Nivas, Chennai	5-6 January 2009
	"Socio-Economic Change in Arni with Special Reference to Silk Weaving, 1993-2009" (co-authored with Arivukkarasi), State, Market & Society in the Arni Region	QEH, Oxford University, Wolfson College, Oxford	8-9 June 2009
Padmini Swaminathan	"Women, Work and Education: Interrogating Received Wisdom", Examining Linkages, Women, Work and Education	Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata,	22-23 August 2008
	"Education and Skill Development in a Context of Declining Rate of Formal Employment Generation: Issues for Discussion", Education and Skills for the Emerging Labour Market	Indian Society of Labour Economics, Lucknow	13-15 December 2008
	"Women, Work and Health: Examining Linkages, Addressing Challenges, Health Rights", Women's Lives: Feminist Perspectives from India	International Women's Health Collective, Mumbai University	29-30 December 2008
	"Gender and Caste: Differential Impact of Development on Gender", Gender and Caste: Issues and Impact	Women Development Cell and Centre for Human Development [Dept. of Economics], Mumbai University	2-3 January 2009
	"Literacy and Levels of Formal Education of the Indian [General and Working] Population: A National Report Card"	Zakir Husain Memorial lecture, NCERT, New Delhi, Regional Institute of Education, Mysore University	30 January 2009

	"Vocationalization of Higher Education", Higher Education in India: Challenges and New Initiatives	St. Mira's College, Pune	10 February 2009
	"Forms of Business Organization: Combining Insights from Value Chain and Social Embeddedness Perspectives", Narasus Srimathi Mahalakshmi Ammal First Endowment Lecture	Department of Economics, Periyar University, Salem, Tamil Nadu	24 March 2009
	"Employed but NOT a Worker, Literate but NOT Educated ENOUGH", Earning but Still in Poverty: The Violence of Gender-Biased Development, Contextualizing Sexual and Reproductive Rights	The Commission on Women and Development, Belgium Government, Brussels, Belgium	28 May 2009
P. Radhakrishnan	"Understanding Dalit Autobiographical studies", Dalit autobiographies: Representing and narrating the lives of the Oppressed	UGC, Achutha Menon Government College, Thrissur	11-12 March 2009
	"Social context of rise in suicide", Multi-disciplinary perspectives on suicides: The experience of SAARC countries	CESS, Hyderabad	9-10 January 2009
S. Subramanian	"Liberty, Equality, and Impossibility: Some General Results in the Space of 'Soft' Preferences", Institutions, Equity and Efficiency	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	27 November - 1 December 2008
	"Alternative Approaches to Reckoning Group Disparities in Distributional Analysis: Concepts, Measurement, and Illustrative Applications", National Conference on Challenges in Human Development in India	Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram,	24-25 January 2009
A.R. Venkata chalapathy	"More Kshatriya Than Thou: Caste Conflict in Colonial Tamilnadu", Caste, Ritual Dynamic and Colonial Discourse	University of Heidelberg	4–6 September 2008
	"Luminaries of the Public Library Movement in Tamilnadu", Role of Public Libraries in Social Development	Madras Library Association & The Directorate of Public Libraries, Govt. of TN, Chennai	18 October 2008

	"Bharatiyum Acchu Pandpadum" (Bharati and Print Culture), Oodakaviyal Parvaiyil Bharati (Bharati: A Communication Perspective)	Department of Mass Media and Communication, University of Madras, Chennai	31 October 2008
M. Vijayabaskar	"Impact of Global Recession on the Textiles and Clothing Sector in Tamil Nadu", Stakeholders Meeting on the Effects of the Global Financial Crisis on the Textile Sector	International Labour Organisation, New Delhi, Hotel Velan, Tirupur	16 June 2009
	"State-level Responses to SEZ Implementation: The Case of Tamil Nadu", Early Feedback Workshop on 'The Politics of SEZs in India'	Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH), New Delhi and Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi	7 April 2009
	"Regional Labour Markets and Industrial Development: Exploratory Insights from a India-China Comparison", Comparing Development Trajectories of the Chinese and Indian Textile Industry - Structure, Regional Linkage, and Labor	Institute for Developing Economies, Tokyo	19 February 2009
	"Indhiya Arasin Porulaadhara Kollgaiyum Tamizh naattin poruladhara maatramum", Indhiya Arasu-Oru Vimarsana Paarvai	Chennai Arasiyal Palli, University of Madras	24 January 2009
	"Global Labour Standards and Local Responses: A Case for Strengthening Local Institutions", National Seminar on Economic Transition and Micro Realities	Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Kerala, Post Graduate Department of Economics, Government College Kasaragod	8-9 January 2009
	"Can Cluster Development Programmes ensure Decent Work? Evidence from Indian MSE Clusters in Global Value Chains", Golden Jubilee Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics	Indian Society of Labour Economics, Giri Institute of Development Studies, Lucknow	13-15 December 2008
	"Micro and Small Enterprises in Global Value Chains", Task Force on Enterprise Development in the Unorganised Sector	Task Force on Enterprise Development in the Unorganised Sector, New Delhi	22 September 2008

9.2 Participation in Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

Name	Nature of Participation	Name of Seminar/ Conference / Workshop / Place	Date / Month / Year
Ajit Menon	Lectures (Visiting Faculty) (45 hours)	M Tech in "Coastal Management" Institute of Ocean Management, Anna University, Chennai,	August - December 2008
	Lecture	"Fishing Communities and the Coast in Transition", *Coastal Zone Management and Coastal Tourism*, Indo-Dutch programme Amsterdam University and Anna University	April 8, 2009
	Lecture	"Politics of Conservation in Mudumalai", University of Lille 3, France	14 May 2009
	Lecture (3)	"Normative Concerns in Sustainable Development", *Social Science for Natural Scientists*, Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment, Bangalore	June 10 2009
Anandhi S.	Guest Lecture	"Gender Identity and the Dravidian Politics", Michigan State University Summer Study Abroad Programme on *Culture, Politics and Globalisation*, Michigan State University, Chennai	23 July 2008
	Resource Person	"Representing Gender : From Dravidian Movement to Dalit Feminism", UGC, Chennai	8 August 2008
	Guest Lecture	"Caste and Masculinities", Asian College of Journalism, Chennai	5 September 2008
	Guest Lecture - Panelist	"Gender Identity: Power of Identity: Innate or Acquired?", Conflict of Identities: A Philosophical Unravelling of Diverse Frontiers, Department of Philosophy, Sacred Heart Seminary, Chennai.	12 September 2008
	Keynote Address	"Rethinking Violence on Women – A Feminist Perspective", International Women's Day Seminar and Public meeting, United Evangelical Lutheren College of India and the Women's Studies Cell, Chennai	5 March 2009
	Panel Lecture	"Place of Women in Conflict Zones: What is 'private' about domestic violence on women?", Special lectures on International Women's Day,	12 March 2009

		Rajiv Gandhi Institute for Youth Studies, Sriperumpudur	
	Guest Lecture	"Gender, Politics and Development in Tamilnadu", Indo-Dutch Course on "Engaging India-Coastal Tourism" for the Graduate students from the University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, Institute of Ocean Management, Anna University and the university of Amsterdam, Chennai	7 April 2009
	Resource Person's Lecture	"Institutionalizing Women's Studies : Problems and prospects", Residential Workshop for young and mid-carrier research scholars on "Rethinking Culture and Development", School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, Lataguri, West Bengal	29 May 2009
Ananta Kumar Giri	Organiser	"Tibet, China and the World: Realizing Peace", Freedom and Harmony, MIDS, Chennai	1 July 2008
	Lecture	"The Calling of Practical Spirituality: New Challenges Before Theory and Practice and New Vocation of Action Research", Xavier Institute of Management, Bhubaneswar	18 July 2008
	Lecture	"Pathways of Creative Research: Rethinking Theories and Methods and the Calling of an Ontological Epistemology of Participation", Faculty Seminar, Dept of Sociology, University of Western Ontario, London	September 2008
	Lecture	"New Paths of Criticism and Creativity: Dialogues with the Creative Works and Worlds of Chitta Ranjan Das", The Center for Theory and Criticism, University of Western Ontario, London, Canada	2 October 2008
	Lecture	"Cosmopolitanism and Beyond", New Horizons of Human Development: Art, Spirituality and Social Transformations, and Compassion and Confrontation	September-October 2008
	Lecture	"Cosmopolitanism and Beyond", Center for International Development, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada	30 October 2008
	Lecture	"Pathways of Creative Research", Seminar presented at Department of Anthropology, Rice University	4 November 2008

Lecture	"Sociology as the Quest for a Good Society" Institute of Sociology, University of Gottingen, Germany	7 November 2008
Lecture	"Towards a New Vision of Sociology" Global Studies Program, Institute of Sociology, University of Freiburg	12 November 2008
Lecture	"Rethinking Religion and Governance: The Calling of Shared Sovereignties and Sacred Non-Sovereignties", Religion and Governance, Fireflies Ashram, Bangalore	17-19 February 2009
Lecture	"Cultivating Pathways of Creative Research", Refresher Course on Humanities and Social Sciences, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Madras	25 February 2009
Lecture	"New Horizons of Human Development: Art, Spirituality and Social Transformations", Institute of Development Studies, University of Mysore, Mysore	9 April 2009
Lecture	"Pathways of Creative Research", Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan	20 May 2009
Lecture	"Knowing Together in Compassion and Confrontation: The Calling of a New Sociology of Knowledge", Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica, Taiwan	22 May 2009
Public Lecture	"Compassion and Confrontation", Fujen University, Taiwan	25 May 2009
Lecture	"Compassion and Confrontation: New Horizons of Social Theory and Social Transformations", Department of Sociology, Taiwan National University, Taipei	27 May 2009
Lecture	"Pathways of Creative Research" and "Compassion and Confrontation", Nanhua Buddhist University, Dal-Chiyai, Taiwan	2 June 2009
Lecture	"Theorizing with Our Soil: Nurturing Social Theory as Earthworms", Department of Sociology, Sun-Yet Sen National University, Kaoshung, Taiwan	3 June 2009

	Lecture	"Nurturing Emergent Spaces", Department of Sociology, Tshinghua National University, Taiwan	5 June 2009
	Lecture	"Mining, Suffering and Beyond", Mining and Suffering, Chulalongkorn Institute of Social Research, Bangkok	8 June 2009
	Lecture	"Horizons of Creative Research and Explorations of Collaborations", Interactive Meet with Faculty of Social Science, National University of Laos, Vientiane, Laos	11 June 2009
S. Janakarajan	Panelist	"Critical Issues Facing the Orissa State", Orissa Water Resources Forum, Orissa Water Resources Forum, Bhuvaneshwar	12 August 2008
	Keynote Address	ISTD-Indian Society for Training and Development, Stella Maris College, Chennai	22 August 2008
	Lecture	"Globalization and Development Strategies", Guest lecture series, The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai	23 September 2008
	Lecture	"Poverty and Globalization", Guest lecture series, The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai	24 September 2008
	Lecture	"Water conflicts and conflict resolution mechanisms", Training workshop on Environmental statistics with special reference to water accounting, Madras School of Economics, Chennai	1 October 2008
	Lecture	"Anthropogenic factors threatening the Cauvery basin", Cauvery Delta Farmers' Association, Silver Jubilee, Cauvery Delta Farmers' Association, Tiruchi	5-6 October 2008
	Panelist	"Critique of Coastal Regulation Zone", National level consultation on Protection of rights of the traditional fisher communities and coastal environment Civil society initiative, Chennai	18-19 October 2008
	Presentation	"The utility of rejuvenation of tanks around Chennai", To explore the possibilities of preventing the surplus surface water draining wastefully into the sea during the monsoon and to use it to recharge the aquifers, State Planning Commission, Chennai	21 October 2008

Keynote Address	"Climate change, seawater rise and wetlands: Threat to livelihoods", Tamil Nadu coast National Symposium on Developing Domestic Fish Markets for self sustaining Aquaculture sector in India – Prospects, problems and policy interventions, Central Institute of Brackish water Aquaculture, Chennai	31 October 2008
Lecture	"Aspects on natural resources management", Critical issues on natural resources management with particular reference to India, Refresher course in economics for the college teachers, University of Madras, Chennai	26 November 2008
Panelist	"Environmental concerns of Adyar river/ creek", Adyar Poonga Trust, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Anna Univeraity, Chennai	9 January 2009
Keynote	"River basin management and water pollution in Tamil nadu", Pollution in Bhavani river basin, Bhavani river basin protection council, Mettupalayam	25 January 2009
Convocation Address	"Is Indian democracy at Risk?", Convocation Address at the regional IGNOU centre, IGNOU, New Delhi, Kalaivanar Arangam, Chennai	28 February 2009
Panelist	"Myths and realities of Inclusive growth", Development Convention, Council for Social Development, Hyderabad	5-6 March 2009
Consultative Meeting	30th and 31st SOPPECOM, Steering Committee Meeting at ICRISAT, Hyderabad, SOPPECOM, Pune, ICRISAT, Hyderabad	30-31 March 2009
Two Lectures	1. Conflict resolution in natural resource management: Concepts and theories 2. Multi-stakeholders' dialogue as a means for conflict resolution: Some practical experiences, DHAN Academy of Excellence, DHAN Foundation, Madurai, Madurai	6 April 2009
Lecture	"Understanding climate change impact: Need to build data base on extreme events", On the occasion of celebrating the Birth day of Professor Mahalanobis, The Department of Economics and Statistics, Government of Tamil Nadu	29 June 2009

D. Jayaraj	Lecture	"Rural Transformation and Structural Transformation of the Workforce", UGC-SAP Visiting Faculty Scheme, UGC and Department of Econometrics, University of Madras, Chennai	16 March 2009
Karen Coelho	Invited Speaker	"Walkers and Hawkers: The Politics of Pavements in Chennai", Fifth Annual PUKAR Lecture: Class, Conflict and Collaboration in Greening Indian Cities, PUKAR (Partners in Urban Knowledge, Action and Research), Mumbai	5 September 2008
	Invited Keynote Speaker	"Civilizing Political Society? Observations on Collective Action of the Urban Poor in Chennai", India, Metropolis and Micropolitics: South Asia's Sutured Cities, South Asia Center, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.	15-16 May 2009
	Visiting Faculty for 3 months	10-weeks course on "Urban Politics in India" Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, Seattle	15 March - 15 June 2009
Kripa Ananthpur		"Uncontested local elections: A Collective Good?", Governance Research Seminar Series, Institute of Development Studies, Brighton, UK	30 April 2009
		"From Rivalry to Synergy? The Role of Customary Village councils in the Context of Decentralization", SPURS/IDG Lecture Series, Department of Urban Studies and Planning, MIT, Cambridge, USA	15 September 2008
C. Lakshmanan	Resource Person	"Dalits' Land Struggle and Cultural Resistance", *"Colours of Black: An Artistic Expression on Dalit Land"* in a South Indian Painting Workshop on Dalit Lives, DIC and VAK, Mumbai, Vagamon, Kerala	21-26 November 2008
	Resource Person	"A Note on Special Component Plan", One Day Seminar on Special Component Plan/ Scheduled Castes Sub Plan, Institute for Self Management, Madurai	27 January 2009
K. Nagaraj	Resource Person	"Performance Budgeting", Ministry of Finance, Govt. of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram	1-2 September 2008
	Panel Discussant	"Food Security", Dept. of Economics, Madras Christian College, Chennai	30 September 2008

	Gave 14 lectures	"Covering Deprivation", Asian College of Journalism, Chennai	10 October – 14 November 2008
	Lecture	"Agrarian Crisis in India", Terris de Homes, United Theological College, Bangalore	18 November 2008
	Resource Person	"Lancet Special Issue on India", Public Health Foundation of India, New Delhi	4-5 December 2008
	Two Lectures	"Agrarian Situation in India", Academic Staff College, Madras University, Chennai	2 December 2008
Padmini Swaminathan	Resource Person	"Mainstreaming Gender", Engendering Development: Reflections on a Case Study, Summer Course on 'Leadership in the Development Sector', IFMR and The Banyan Academy of Leadership in Mental Health, IFMR, Chennai	1 July 2008
	Resource Person	"Violence of Development: Gender Perspectives", Annual summer school and internship programme for international students, in order to gain subaltern perspectives to human rights and development, Development and Human Rights Institute (DHRI)	11 July 2008
	Lecture	Presentation of Case Study of MVF, Andhra, DISCOURSE, Discussion Forum, MSSRF, Chennai	19 July 2008
	Chief Guest and Inaugural Lecture	"Revisiting Discipline of Economics from Development Studies Perspective", Inauguration of Economics Forum in the Department of Economics, Jain College, Vepery, Chennai	31 July 2008
	Panelist and Discussant	"Decentralization", Local Power and Women's Rights in South Asia, IDRC, New Delhi, Kathmandu, Nepal	6-8 August 2008
	Panelist	"Decentralization and Women's Empowerment", Water Rights as Women's Rights? Assessing the scope for Women's Empowerment in Decentralized Governance in the Water Sector in Maharashtra and Gujarat, SOPPECOM, Utthan and TISS, Mumbai	29-30 August 2008
	Chief Guest and Speaker	"Common Man and Inflation: An Economist's View", National Conference on Impact of	11 September 2008

	Inflation, Department of Commerce, Madras Christian College, Chennai	
Memorial Lecture	"Failing Secularism and Suffering Economy", Thoudam David Memorial Lecture Series, Department of Economics, Loyola College, Chennai	25 September 2008
Lecture	"Economic Reforms and Social Equity Issues", Davidson College, USA, Semester in India Programme conducted by the Madras Christian College, South Asian Studies Programme of Madras Christian College, Chennai	23 October 2008
Resource Person [2 lectures]	"New Frameworks to Understand and Research Indian Industrialization Efforts", Contemporary Economic Theories and the Indian Economy, Department of Economics, University of Madras, Chennai	24 November 2008
Discussant	"Growth and Income Security: Wages and Own Production", SEWA – GIDR Workshop on Social Income and Insecurity in Gujarat, Gujarat Institute of Development Research, Ahmedabad	9-10 December 2008
Inaugural Address	"Trading in Development? Emerging Issues in South Asia", Fourth Annual South Asia Conference organized by the Centre for Trade and Development, Centre for Trade and Development, New Delhi	17-18 December 2008
Resource Person [2 lectures]	"Module on Development", Refresher Course in Women's Studies, Jointly organized by Anveshi Research Centre for Women's Studies and Moulana Azad Urdu University, Central University, Hyderabad	2 February 2009
Public Lecture	"Researching Gender and Development: Recent Trends", Women's Studies Centre and Department of Economics, Pune University	11 February 2009
Lecture	"Poverty and Development", Emerging Concerns and Challenges for Social Work, University Grants Commission and held by Madras School of Social Work, Chennai	20 February 2009
Lecture	"Women, Work and Education: Addressing Challenges", Seminar on Issues in	23 March 2009

		Contemporary Tamil Nadu Since 1947, Department of History, Madras Christian College, Chennai	
	Lecture	"Women, Work and the Economy", Women's Studies' Course, Stella Maris College, Chennai	3 April 2009
	Resource Person	"Gender Budgeting", Workshop for Goa State officials, Goa State Commission for Women, Goa	16-17 June 2009
P. Radhakrishnan	Resource Person	Meeting of the Principals/ Coordinators of partner colleges of the FAEA Pathways programme, Delhi	28-29 September 2008
K. Sivasubramaniyan	Resource Person	"Soil and Water Management Under Changing Climate", MSSRF, Chennai	15 September 2008
S. Subramanian	Discussant	"Development, Freedom and Welfare in Honour of Professor Amartya Sen", Cornell University and Institute of Human Development, New Delhi	18-20 December 2008
	Two lectures	"Poverty Identification and Group Inequalities" to College teachers at a workshop organized by the Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata	18-20 March 2009
	Lecture	"Poverty measurement" to students of Madras University, Chennai	March 2009
L. Venkatachalam	Guest Lecture	"Research issues in Environmental Economics", Guest Lecture Series, Department of Economics, Gobi Arts College, Gobi	2 July 2008
	Discussant	"Role of Watershed Institutions in Mitigating Poverty: A Study of Self-Help Groups", Institutions across Micro Watersheds, CARDS, TNAU, Coimbatore and GDN, New Delhi, Coimbatore	September 2008
	Guest Lecture	"Is Economic Man Boundedly Rational? Evidence from a Field Experiment", Guest Lecture Series, Department of Economics, Meenakshi College for Women, Chennai	22 September 2008
	Resource Person	"Role of Economic Theory in Econometric Analysis", Quantitative Analysis in	17 October 2008

	Social Sciences, Department of Economics, Periyar University, Salem	
Resource Person	"Microeconometrics: Doing OLS and Discrete Choice Analysis Using Cross-Section Data", Quantitative Analysis in Social Sciences, Department of Economics, Periyar University, Salem	17 October 2008
Resource Person	"Physical and Monetary Accounting for Water Resources: A River Basin Approach", Environmental Statistics with Special Reference to Water Accounting, Central Statitical Organisation (CSO), New Delhi and Madras School of Economics, Chennai	1 October 2008
Resource Person	"Monetary Accounting: Using 'desktop' valuation approach to estimate monetary values of water resources", Environmental Statistics with Special Reference to Water Accounting, Central Statistical Organisation (CSO), New Delhi and Madras School of Economics, Chennai	2 October 2008
Resource Person	"Institutions for Regulation: Theoretical and Methodological Issues" – Lecture 1; and "Institutions for Regulation: Empirical Issues" – Lecture 2, 'Infrastructure Regulation' for *Senior Level* Indian Economic Service (IES) Cadres, National Maritime Academy, Chennai, Trivandrum	13 October 2008
Talk	"Water Sector Reforms in the Context of Economic Liberalisation", Visiting MLAs from Goa, MIDS, Chennai	16 October 2008
Resource Person	Institutions for Regulation (2 Lectures), 'Infrastructure Regulation' for *Middle Level* Indian Economic Service (IES) Cadres, National Maritime Academy, Chennai, Trivandrum	20 October 2008
Panelist	"Exploring Options for Sustainable Water Management in Malaprabha River Basin", CISED, Bangalore and Norwegian Water Research Institute (NIVA), Oslo, Belgaum	5 November 2008
Keynote Address	"Valuing the Environment through Contingent Valuation Method", Economic Valuation of	28 January 2009

	Environment, Department of Economics, Manonmanian Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli	
Keynote Address	"Environmental Exclusion", Social Exclusion, Centre of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Growth, Manonmanian Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli	29 January 2009
Guest Lecture	"Measuring the Economic Values of the Environment: the Stated Preference Methods", Guest Lecture Series, Department of Economics, Adithanar College, Tiruchendur	30 January 2009
Guest Lecture	"Environmental Economics for Water Resources Management", Guest Lecture Series, Centre for Water Resources, Anna University, Chennai	20 February 2009
Guest Lecture	"Benefit-Cost Analysis of Improved Irrigation Water Quality: An Interdisciplinary Approach", Guest Lecture Series, Centre for Water Resources (CWR), Anna University, Chennai	27 February 2009
Guest Lecture	"Economic Valuation of Health Impact of Environmental Pollution", Guest Lecture Series, Centre for Water Resources (CWR), Anna University, Chennai	6 March 2009
Special Address	"Why should economists worry about the environment?", Annual Economic Association Meeting, Kandasamy Kandhar College, Paramthi Velur	7 March 2009
Visiting Professor's Lecture	"Recent Trends in Behavioral Economics", SAP Programme, School of Economics, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai	11 March 2009
Resource Person	"Issues in Inter-disciplinary Approach in Social Sciences", Research Methodology Workshop for the Doctoral Students, MIDS, Chennai	17 March 2009
Resource Person	"Challenges in Doing Primary Surveys", Research Methodology Workshop for the Doctoral Students, MIDS, Chennai	18 March, 2009
Keynote Address	"Synergy between Environment", Sustainable Development and Human Wellbeing, Workshop	20 March 2009

		on Environment, Sustainable Development and Human Wellbeing, Department of Economics, Sacred Heart College, Tirupathur	
	Special Address	"Economic Valuation of Environmental Benefits and Costs, Session on Economic Valuation of Environment", Workshop on Environment, Sustainable Development and Human Wellbeing, Department of Economics, Sacred Heart College, Tirupathur	20 March 2009
	Special Address	"Nehruvian Model of Development and Contemporary Environmental Issues", National Seminar on Contemporary Relevance of Economic Ideas of Jawaharlal Nehru, School of Nehru Studies, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli	26 March 2009
	Discussant	"Demand Management in Irrigation Sector", Strategic Analysis of India's National River Linking Project', International Water Management Institute (IWMI), New Delhi	8 April 2009
	Guest Lecture	"Writing a Good Research Proposal", Guest Lecture Series (to the faculty), Department of Economics, Arulanandar College, Madurai	17 April 2009
A.R.Venkata Chalapathy	Roundtable Discussant	"Bilingual Discourse and Cross Cultural Fertilization", British Academy, University of Cambridge	22–23 May 2009
	Resource Person	"The Future of Classical Studies in India", Columbia University, Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla	25–26 April 2009
	Lecture	"History of the Dravidian Movement", Key Issues in Contemporary India, Asian College of Journalism, Chennai	August 2008
M. Vijayabaskar	Resource Person	"Migration Issues in the Context of Garment Workers in the Tiruppur Knitwear Industry", Gender and Migration, Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS), N. Delhi, Asha Nivas, Chennai	5-6 January 2009

9.3 Other Academic Activities

Name	Nature of Academic Activity	Duration
Ajit Menon	Member of Expert Committee for Curriculum Development for an MA course on Environment and Development, Ambedkar University, New Delhi.	
	External examiner for a Ph.D. thesis from MG University, Kottayam.	
	External examiner of a Sephis supported Ph.D. thesis	
	External reviewer of a manuscript submitted to Orient Black Swan.	
	Referee for a paper submitted to Sustainable Development Policy Institute, Islamabad, Pakistan.	
Anandhi S.	Coordinator, Ph.D. Programme, MIDS	
	Member and Editor, Executive Committee, Indian Association for Women's Studies	
	Member of Doctoral committee Media Sciences, Anna University and the Department of Humanities, IIT, Chennai.	
	Member, Board of Studies, Department of History, Meenakshi College, Chennai.	
	Member, Course Committee for Gender in Indian History-CWDS-IGNOU Women's Studies Department, Delhi.	
	Reviewer of a Manuscript, "Good Women : Practice of Gender and Agency among Dalit women in the Central Himalayas" for Orient Blackswan.	
	Reviewer of a paper "Acquiring 'Heathen' Children: Of Gentle Coercion and Parental Authority in the late 19th century South Arcot" for *Review of Development and Change.*	
	Reviewer of a paper "Perspectives on Women and Work in pre-Colonial South India' for International *Journal of Asian Studies.*	
	An Evaluative study of schooling, curriculum and pedagogy at the primary level in Vidyodaya School, Chennai.	
	A review of five years of the Institutional history of a women's organization ASMITA (Identity) in Hyderabad.	
Ananta K Giri	Member, Board of Studies, Peace and Conflict Management, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Sriperumbudur	
	Editing the book series, Creative Multiverse from Delhi, Shipra and helped publish three works in this series with Forewords: Diaspora and Belief by John Clammer;	

	New Horizons of Critical Theory: Collective Learning and Triple Contingency by Piet Strydom and Benedict Spinoza: An Appreciation by Chitta Ranjan Das.	
S. Janakarajan	Officiating Director of the institute	4 Febrary 2008 - 3 February 2009
	Facilitated an orientation programme for the M.Phil students from Madras School of Social Work at MIDS	15 October 2008
	Facilitated a meeting with Goa Legislators at MIDS	16t October 2009
	Member, Malcolm Adiseshiah Centenary Celebrations Committee	
	Member, School of Development Studies Board, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi	
	Member of the Board of Studies, Department of Ecology and Sustainable Development, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry	
	President, SaciWATERs Society and member of its Core-group.	
	Project Advisory Committee member, The Crossing Boundaries project, coordinated by SaciWATERs in five South Asian countries – funded by the Dutch Government	
	Doctoral Committee member for a student in the Department of Humanities in IIT, Chennai and for another student in the Department of Media Studies, Anna University	
	Member of the Steering Committee of Forum for policy dialogues on Water Conflicts in India, facilitated by SOPPECOM, Pune.	
D. Jayaraj	Refereed a paper for *Economic and Political Weekly*	
	Refereed a paper for *Journal of Development Studies*	
Karen Coelho	Member of Ph.D committee	
	Coursework coordinator for Ph.D students	
	Member of Editorial Committee, *Review of Development & Change*	
	Leading a Factfinding Mission into the slum evictions in Ambattur / The Factfinding Report, entitled "Stranded in the Ruins:Evictions Without Rehabilitation in Ambattur"	Dec 2008-Feb 2009 / March 2009
	Referee for the journal Geoforum	
Kripa Ananthpur	Member of the Ph.D. committee	
	Awarded ICSSR-ESRC UK Scholar Exchange award for 2009	

C. Lakshmanan	Currently, University Grants Commission's Nominated Member to the Expert Advisory Committee of Dr. Ambedkar Studies Centre, JSS College for Women, Kollegal, Chamrajan Nagara Dist. Karnataka. Dalit Intellectual Collective Coordinator for Tamil Nadu & Member of Organizing Committee Member, MIDS Publication Committee
R. Maria Saleth	Associate Editor, *Water Policy* Member of the Editorial Advisory Board, *Technological Forecasting and Social Change*
K. Nagaraj	Member, Advisory Committee on the Project "Gender & Migration", CWDS, New Delhi. Evaluated two Ph.D. theses
Padmini Swaminathan	Member, Board of Studies, Department of Economics, Stella Maris College, Chennai Member, Task Force, National Commission on Enterprises in the Unorganized Sector, New Delhi Member, Expert Committee, set up by High Court of Madras to clean the Noyyal River Member, Sub-Committee on Status of Vocational Education and Vocational Training, Govt of India, Planning Commission Member, State Statistical Committee, Govt. of Tamil Nadu Member of Committee of Group of Feminist Economists for the 11th Five Year Plan constituted by Planning Commission, New Delhi Editorial Board, Journal of Entrepreneurship Advisory Board, Gender, Technology and Development
P. Radhakrishnan	Member, Editorial Advisory Board, "History and Culture" Member, Editorial team, International Journal of Sociology and Anthropology. Member, Expert Committees (for curriculum design from PG certificate course to PhD) on Gandhian Studies, Development Studies, and Extension Studies, IGNOU, Delhi. Member, faculty selection committee, IGNOU, Delhi. Member, Board of Research Studies, Madras University. "Expert Sociologist", Adyar Poonga (By an order of the Tamil Nadu Government).

K. Sivasubramaniyan	Coordinator, MIDS Monthly Seminar Series	Since 2001
	Member, Publication Committee, MIDS.	
	Member, Committee on Project Evaluation, Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) and Integrated Wasteland Development Programme (IWDP): GOTN and GOI.	
	Member, Committee on Facilitator cum Evaluator, Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART), India Habitat Centre, GOI, New Delhi.	
	Edited the preliminary draft of the Ph.D. Thesis (Socio-Economic Conditions of Construction Workers of Tiruvallur District in Tamil Nadu – by Prof. A. Kanakaraj) to be submitted to the Dravidian University, Chitoor District, Andhra Pradesh. Supervisor–Dr. V. Arivazhagan, Ph.D. Reader in Economics, Presidency College, Chennai.	
S. Subramanian	Refereed a paper for *Social Choice and Welfare*	
	Examined an M. Phil. Dissertation	
	Associate Editor of the *Journal of Human Development* , and on the Board of Editors of the website journal, *Contemporary Issues and Ideas in the Social Sciences*	
L. Venkatachalam	Refereed a total number of 12 papers submitted for publication in *Ecological Economics, Water Policy, Journal of Environmental Management, International Journal of Ecological Economics and Statistics, Conservation and Society* and *Indian Journal of Science and Technology* journals	
	Evaluated a Research Project on Environment and Population from ISEC, Bangalore	
	Refereed a Working Paper submitted to ISEC Working Paper Series, ISEC, Bangalore	
	Handled six classes to 2008 batch of MIDS Ph.D students as part of the course work	
	Evaluated a Ph.D thesis and conducted Viva-Voce for a Ph.D student at the Economics Department, New College	1 April, 2009
	Member, Development Convention Steering Committee	2008-09
	Chairman (Adhoc), Board of Studies, Environmental Studies (undergraduate), Periyar University	2008-09
	Member, Board of Studies, Department of Economics, Sacred-Heart College, Thirupathur	2008-2009
	Member, Board of Studies, Department of Economics, Meenakshi College, Chennai	2009-2011

A.R. Venkata chalapathy	Member, Editorial Board, *Review of Development and Change* Member, Ph.D. Coordination Committee	
	Member, Book Selection Committee, Directorate of Public Libraries, Government of Tamilnadu	2007-09
	Member, Planning Board (Tamil), National Book Trust of India	
	Referee, Indian Council of Historical Research	
M. Vijayabaskar	Member, Ph.D. Programme Coordination Committee	
	Member, Ph.D. Coursework Committee	
	External Examiner for M. Phil Dissertation, Jawaharlal Nehru University	

10. Research Projects

10.1 Completed Projects

Kripa Ananthpur

- Informal local governance institutions, State and public action, Funded by Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK.

K. Nagaraj

- A Study of rural social economic change in Tamilnadu, Funded by Simon Fraser University, Vencouver

L. Venkatachalam

- Private water markets in Chennai-TA Transaction cost approach, Funded by Global Network.

10.2 Ongoing Projects

Ajit Menon

- Popular - Public policies and local practices in tree and forest management in Central Western Ghats of South India, Funded by ANR, Government of France.

- Building capacity for sustainable governance: Well being and interactive governance in fisheries, Funded by Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK

S. Janakarajan

- Adaptation and livelihood resilience, Funded by IDRC, Canada

Karen Coelho

- National workshop, Funded by Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK.

M. Vijayabaskar

- Transforming livelihoods: Work, migration and poverty in the Tirupur garment cluster, India, Funded by ESRC, UK.
- Politics of India's Special Economic Zones, Funded by The Centre de Sciences Humanes (CSH), New Delhi.

11. Seminars

11.1 Faculty and Research Scholars

Topic	Presented by	Date
Tibet, China and the World: Realizing peace, freedom and harmony	**Ananta Kumar Giri** Associate Professor, MIDS	01-07-2008
Integration of society and economy: An enquiry into growth resurgence of Kerala	**Sajin Philip** Research Scholar, MIDS	09-07-2008
Vulnerability of climate change and climate extremes in the coastal regions of India: An exposure analysis of the coastal districts of Orissa	**C.S. Chandrasekar Bahinipati** Research Scholar, MIDS	09-07-2008
Social exclusion, gender and poverty: A study of Western Southern Orissa	**Manjushree Panda** Research Scholar, MIDS	11-08-2008
Economic valuation of environmental impact on health theoretical and methodological issues	Chandrasekaran Research Scholar, MIDS	11-08-2008
Growing urban stress and delivery of urban services	**S. Vanathy** Research Scholar, MIDS	11-08-2008
Land market under transition	**V.P. Nirmal Roy** Research Scholar, MIDS	04-12-2008
Commodity futures trading and agricultural commodity price setting	**B.S. Sumalatha** Research Scholar, MIDS	04-12-2008
Special Economic Zones: Contributions and controversies	**A. Bhavana** Research Scholar, MIDS	04-12-2008
Analysis of 'Policy Induced' externality in the industrial sector in Tirupur	**P. Chandrasekaran** Research Scholar, MIDS	04-12-2008
Growth experience of Metropolitan cities with a particular focus on Chennai	**S. Vanathy** Research Scholar, MIDS	04-12-2008
Implementation of labour rights: Experiences from the construction industry in Chennai	**Annika Wetlesen** Affiliate, MIDS	07-01-2009
Structural changes in silk weaving in Arani region	**N.A. Arivukkarasi** Research Scholar, MIDS	12-01-2009
Some aspects of agricultural growth in Tamilnadu	**Anbu Packiaraj** Research Scholar, MIDS	12-01-2009

11.2 Seminars by Visiting Scholars

Topic	Presented by	Date
Transfer of powers from labour to revenue departments: Legal and political implications for unorganised workers social security in Tamilnadu	**Mohan Mani** National Trade Unions Initiative **Sujata Mody**, Joint Secretary, NTUI **M. Subbu**, General Secretary, TMKTS	11-08-2008
The energy scenarios to 2050	**Shailaja D. Sharma** Researcher, Business Development (Future Fuels) and CO_2 policy Shell India Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon	20-08-2008
Gender, Development and the Indian State: A study of multi-level governance with a focus on Tamilnadu	**Carole Spary** Post-Doctoral Fellow Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick Coventry CV4 7AL	27-08-2008
Improving standards of school education: A dialogue	**S. Muthukumaran** Former Vice Chancellor Bharathidasan University, Tiruchi	01-09-2008
'View from a grain of sand' Directed by Meena Nanji	**Nalini Rajan**, Asian College of Journalism **Salma Rokkiaiah**, Feminist Poet **Revathi**, Document Film Maker **Ajit Menon**, MIDS	18-06-2009
Libraries, Social development and public communication in contemporary India	**Ajit Pyati** Assistant Professor University of Western Ontario, London	27-01-2009
Putting people first: Towards a Pedagogy of the Heart	**Anne Escrader** University of Western Ontario, London	28-01-2009
'Herskovits at the Heart of Blackness' A vital pictures production: Film directed by *Llewellyn Smith*	**Vincent Brown** Producer/Director of Research Introduction: Kalpana Karunakaran, IFMR	15-04-2009
Necessity and Desire: Coca-Cola and Cultural Critique	**S. Shankar** Director, Centre for South Asian Studies University of Hawaii at Manoa	10-06-2009
Speaking the public sphere: Madras 1905-1919	**Bernad Bate** Associate Professor of Anthropology Yale University	18-06-2009

12. Affiliates

Name & Institution	Topic	Guide
Ms. **Annika Wetlesen** Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Sociology and Human Geography, University of Oslo, Norway.	Implementation of labour standards: Experiences from the construction industry in Chennai, India	Dr. M. Vijayabaskar
Dr. **Geert De Neve** Department of Anthropology University of Sussex, UK.	Transformation livelihoods: Migration, work and poverty in the Tiruppur garment cluster, India	Prof. P. Radhakrishnan
Ms. **Giulia Battaglia** Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London.	Media activism and documentary film making in south India	Prof. A. R. Venkatachalapathy
Dr. **Grace Carswell** Department of Geography University of Sussex, UK.	Transformation livelihoods: Migration, work and poverty in the Tiruppur garment cluster, India	Prof. P. Radhakrishnan
Ms. **Kitana S. Ananda** Colombia University New York	Home, family and politics after a ceasefire: Becoming Tamil subjects in Diaspora	Prof. A.R. Venkatachalapathy
Mr. **Leonardo Niccolai** Ph.D. Student, Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK	Development with identity: Using traditional knowledge in promotion of sustainable livelihoods and bio-diversity conservation in Nilgiris biosphere	Dr. Ajit Menon
Mr. **Mathew H. Baxter** Ph.D. Student, University of California, Berkeley, California	Periyar, Ambedkar, and Gandhi: A study in comparative political theory	Prof. A.R. Venkatachalapathy
Ms. **Roos Gerritson** CNWS, School of Asia, African and Amerindian Studies The Netherlands.	From Movie Star to Public Star: The Entanglement of Cinema and Politics in South India	Prof. A. R. Venkatachalapathy
Ms. **Sudha Narayan** Ph.D. Student, Department of Applied Economics and Management, Cornell University, U.S.A.	Choosing Farmers: Selection and Screening Mechanisms in Contract Farming Systems in India	Prof. K. Nagaraj

Ms. **Victoria Loblay** 6/5, Imperial Ave, Bondi, NSW, Australia 2026.	Arresting amnicentesis: The Impact of regulating pre-natal diagnostic technology in Tamil nadu, South India	Dr. S. Anandhi
Ms. **Wee Teng Soh** Ph.D. Student, University of North Carolina, USA	The regional history and development of organic farming in Tamilnadu	Prof. K. Nagaraj

13. Research Scholars

- **R.Abida Begum**, History of Muslim Women Education in Colonial Tamilnadu, Guide : *Dr.* ***S.Anandhi***
- **Anbu Packiaraj**, Agricultural Transformation in Tamilnadu, Guide : *Prof.* ***K. Nagaraj***
- **Ann George**, Issues on well-being: A study with reference to Kerala, Guide : *Prof.* ***Padmini Swaminathan***
- **M. Arivalagan**, Forests, Environmental Change and Tribal Communities in Colonial Tamilnadu, Guide : *Prof.* ***A. R. Venkatachalapathy***
- **N.A. Arivukkarai**, Structural Changes - A Case of Silk Weaving in Arani, Guide : *Prof.* ***K. Nagaraj***
- **J. Balasubramaniam**, Dalit and Tamil Print Media: A Historical Study, Guide : *Prof.* ***A.R. Venkatachalapathy***
- **A. Bhavana**, Special Economic Zones: Contributions and Controversies, Guide : *Dr.* ***G.S. Ganesh Prasad***
- **P. Chandrasekaran**, The Economic Valuation of Health Impact, Guide : *Dr.* ***L. Venkatachalam***
- **C.S. Chandra Sekhara Bahinipati**, Climate Change Environmental Implications and Adaptive Strategies, Guide : *Dr.* ***L. Venkatachalam***
- **V. Gandhiraj**, Tank Irrigation in Tamilnadu, Guide : *Dr.* ***K. Sivasubramaniyan***
- **Gayathri Balagopal**, Migration in Kerala : A Historical Project, Guide : *Prof.* ***K. Nagaraj***
- **K. Jayashree**, Enhancing Capability through Public Policy: A study with reference to working of Public Distribution System (PDS) in the state of Tamilnadu, Guide : *Prof.* ***Padmini Swaminathan***
- **Jerome Samraj C.**, The Question of Land to the Dalits: A Historical Perspective, Guide : *Dr.* ***M. Thangaraj***
- **K. Kalpana**, Rural Credit, Guide : *Prof.* ***K. Nagaraj***
- **S. Kumaran**, Public Expenditure in Tamilnadu with Special Reference to Social Sector Development, Guide: *Prof.* ***K. Nagaraj***
- **Mahendra Nayak,** Irrigation Institutions and Water Governance in Orissa, Guide : *Prof.* ***S. Janakarajan***
- **Manjushree Panda,** History of Development Discourse in Kalahandi, Guide : *Dr.* ***S. Anandhi***
- **Micheal Venish**, Water Pollution, Guide : *Prof.* ***S. Janakarajan***
- **R. Manivasagan**, Poverty and Nutrition in Tamil Nadu, Guide: *Prof.* ***D. Jayaraj***
- **V.P. Nirmal Roy**, Political Economy of Land Use and Price, Guide : *Dr.* ***M. Vijayabaskar***
- **Nitha G. Nair**, Gender Dimensions of Enviornmental Issues, Guide : *Dr.* ***Ajit Menon***
- **Rajakishor Mahana**, Bondo Highlanders at the Crossroad of Development and Change: A Critique and a Plea, Guide : *Dr.* ***Ananta Kumar Giri***

- **Sajin Philip**, Education and Labour Market in Kerala's Changing Development Narrative, Guide : *Dr. M. Vijayabaskar*
- **B.S. Sumalatha**, Commodity Future Markets under the Globalization Regime, Guide : *Dr. M. Vijayabaskar*
- **Sushanta Kumar Mahapatra**, Intricacies of Canal Irrigation Management and Water Governance in India: The Case of Hirakud Command Area, Orissa, Guide : *Prof. S. Janakarajan*
- **S. Vanathy**, Growing Urban Stress, lack of Long Term Policy Perspectives and Fragmented Institutions, Guide : *Prof. S. Janakarajan*
- **T. V. Vijayan**, Education and Society in India, Guide : *Prof. P. Radhakrishnan*

14. Academic Activities of Non-Faculty Personnel

14.1 Participation in Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

Name	Nature of Participation	Name of Seminar/ Conference / Workshop	Date / Month / Year
V. Jacob John	Guest Lecture	The role of HR Professionals in an assemetric Indian economy, Madras School of Social Work, Chennai	7 July 2008
	Guest Lecture	India's exports with special reference to garment industry, NIFT, Chennai	23 August 2008
	Participant	Regional workshop on Nuclear Disarmament and Regional Security, Stella Maris College, Chennai	6 September 2008
	Guest Lecture	Global competetiveness, India's exports and emerging markets, SRM University, Chennai	13 Spetember 2008
	Panelist	Corporate Social Responsibility: A global perspective, Department of Social Work, Loyola College, Chennai	25 September 2008
	Guest Lecture	Ethical perspectives in Nursing as a career, M.A. Chidambaram College of Nursing, Chennai	15 October 2008
	Guest Lecture	US Slowdown, recession and India economy, Department of Management Studies, Sathyabhama University, Chennai	31 October 2008
	Participant	World wide economic recession and what it means to us, Public Relation Society of India, Savera Hotel, Chennai	29 December 2008
	Participant	The challenges faces Indian democracy, T.S. Krishnamoorthy, Former Election Commissioner, Stella Maris College, Chennai	9 January 2009
	Panelist	Indo-Swedish interactive session on environmental risk and pollution, Green Park Hotel, Chennai	20 February 2009
	Panelist and Moderator	Beat the recession: Q Quest 2009, Quality Club, Anna University, Chennai	26 February 2009
	Judge	Inter-collegiate business proposal contest, Quality Club, Anna University, Chennai	6 March 2009

Guest Lecture	Business strategy in the emerging market economy, RAI Business School, Chennai	21 March 2009
Participant	Earth day celebrations, Indo-American Chamber of Commerce, SIDCO Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai	23 April 2009
Resource Person	The strategic management perspectives for the scientists Executive Development Programme of the Department of Atomic Energy, Sathyabhama University, Chennai	28 June 2009

14.2 Other Academic Activities

Name	Nature of Academic Activity	Date / Month / Year
V. Jacob John	External examiner and question paper Setter, Stella Mary's College, Chennai	2009
	External examiner and question paper setter, Professional Ethics, Total Quality Management for ECE & Department of Management Studies, Anna University, Chennai	2009
	Supervised and guided twenty five M.B.A. Projects for Anna University and Pondicherry University and Loyola College, Twinning Programme, Chennai	2009
	Member, Doctoral Committee, Department of Management Studies, Satyabama University, Chennai	2009
	Visiting Professor, PG Students for M.B.A. Programmes in Foreign Trade Policy, International Business Management, Human Resource Management, Finance; Twinning programme of Loyola College and Pondicherry University, Chennai	2009
	Guest Faculty, Department of Distant Education, Anna University, Chennai	2009

15. Financial Statement

Receipts and Payment A/c for the year ended 31 March 2009

RECEIPTS		Rs. P.	PAYMENTS			Rs. P.
To Opening Balance: 01.04.2008			By Salary & Allowances	Sch-III		14964990.00
Cash at Banks			Library	Sch-IV		800792.65
IOB SB 8322	Main	3096155.33	Research Programmes	Sch-V		134164.25
IOB CD 2524	Salary	242663.40	Computer - Maintenance	Sch-VI		271461.95
IOB SB 22109	Pay Arrears	149493.70	Research Publications	Sch-VII		101750.00
IOB SB 8425	Gratuity	2420.63	Printing & Stationery	Sch-VIII		161816.75
IOB SB 15539	Building	22069.61	Postage, Telephone, Fax	Sch-IX		173692.76
			Travelling Expenses	Sch-X		405541.50
Direct Incomes	Sch-I	18336528.00	Campus	Sch-XI		1973317.17
			Vehicles - Maintenance	Sch-XII		55273.50
Indirect Incomes/Other Receipts	Sch-II	4529954.39	Contingency & Other Administration	Sch-XIII		1705611.00
			Fixed Assets - Additions	Sch-XIV		27752.00
			Other Deposits	Sch-XV		6208.33
			Closing Balance: 31.03.2009			
			Cash at Bank	IOB SB 8322 (Main)	5174804.17	
				IOB CD 2524 (Salary)	419603.40	
				IOB SB 8425 (Gratuity)	2505.63	5596913.20
TOTAL		**26379285.06**	**TOTAL**			**26379285.06**

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Income and Expenditure A/c for the year ended 31 March 2009

Expenditure		Rs. P.	Income		Rs. P.
To			By		
Salary & Allowances	Sch-XVIII	14962035.00	Direct Incomes	Sch-XVI	18336528.00
Library	Sch-XIX	53367.00	Indirect Incomes/ Other Receipts	Sch-XVII	1120665.00
Research Programmes	Sch-XX	124164.25			
Computer - Maintenance	Sch-XXI	271461.95			
Research Publications	Sch-XXII	101750.00			
Printing & Stationery	Sch-XXIII	161816.75			
Postage, Telephone, Fax	Sch-XXIV	173692.76			
Travelling Expenses	Sch-XXV	405541.50			
Campus	Sch-XXVI	1973317.17			
Vehicles - Maintenance	Sch-XXVII	55273.50			
Contingency & Other Administration	Sch-XXVIII	479765.00			
Excess of Income Over Expenditure (Notional)		695008.12			
TOTAL		**19457193.00**	**TOTAL**		**19457193.00**

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Balance Sheet as on 31 March 2009

Previous Year	Liabilities	Rs. P.	Rs. P.
25376612.87	Accumulated Fund Sch-XXIX		26096271.99
22509046.41	Current Liabilities Sch-XXX		23288420.41
47885659.28	**TOTAL**		**49384692.40**

Previous Year	Assets	Rs. P.	Rs. P.
24429865.78	Fixed Assets (Sch-XXXI)		25205043.43
217455.55	Current Assets & Deposits (Sch-XXXII)		223663.88
7098201.28	Loans & Advances (Sch-XXXIII)		7685265.28
2546616.00	Sundry Debtors (Sch-XXXIV)		126806.61
	Receivables from T.N.Govt. for		
682000.00	Grant-Library (1999-2000)		682000.00
750000.00	Grant-Library (2000-2001)		750000.00
825000.00	Grant-Library (2001-2002)		825000.00
	Maintenance-Grant		
430000.00	Grant-in-Aid (1998-1999) (Adhoc)		430000.00
1290000.00	Grant-in-Aid (2000-2001) (Recurring)		1290000.00
100000.00	Grant-in-Aid (2000-2001) (Adhoc)		100000.00
400000.00	Grant-in-Aid (2004-2005) (Adhoc)		400000.00
500000.00	Grant-in-Aid (2005-2006) (Adhoc)		500000.00
2520000.00	Grant-in-Aid (2007-2008) (Adhoc)		2520000.00
2550000.00	Grant-in-Aid (2007-2008) (Adhoc)		2550000.00
	Grant-in-Aid (2008-2009) (Adhoc)		500000.00
33588.00	ICSSR (Reimbusement)		
130.00	Cash in Hand		
	Cash at Bank		
3096155.33	IOB SB 8322 (Main)	5174804.17	
242663.40	IOB CD 2524 (Salary)	419603.40	
149493.70	IOB SB 22109 (Pay Arrears)		
2420.63	IOB SB 8425 (Gratuity)	2505.63	
22069.61	IOB SB 15539 (Building)		5596913.20
47885659.28	**TOTAL**		**49384692.40**

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